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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

In the last issue of the Meadowlark, I shared my appreciation for all of the people who support the mission and efforts of IOS. Our organization strives to offer a variety of opportunities to learn about and observe birds together. Part of that offering is our commitment to publish the Meadowlark, our quarterly journal that provides engaging content, beautifully sourced photographs, seasonal field notes from contributors across the state, and research articles by IOS grant recipients and others in our birding community. The effort it takes to produce each issue of the Meadowlark is extensive. As with many things over the past few years, Meadowlark production has struggled to stay on schedule. We acknowledge that we have fallen behind in our schedule and our commitment to you, our members. However, with this issue, we continue to make strides towards getting back on track.

Throughout the past year, the IOS Board has been in search of a new Chief Editor for the Meadowlark. This will be the final issue of the Meadowlark with Eric Secker as our Chief Editor. I want to thank Eric for a job well done. Eric's vision and work on the Meadowlark has elevated the journal and it is beautiful. His designs have featured breath-taking pictures of birds photographed by IOS members and friends from all across Illinois. Eric has also done a wonderful job curating interesting articles and highlighting the scientific research and data that helps us dig a little deeper into the life and world of birds. Eric's service to IOS and to the Meadowlark journal is much appreciated. On behalf of the entire IOS Board both past and present, we thank Eric for his commitment to publishing such a high-quality journal these past years and for his commitment to the organization.

I also want to acknowledge the incredible time and effort that our Meadowlark seasonal field notes editors, both present and past, have dedicated to the journal and IOS. The field notes editors put in numerous hours sorting through eBird data, handwritten observations, and other relevant sources to organize seasonal data so that our members, as well as the greater scientific community, have access to useful information year upon year. I want to personally thank our current field editors: Paul Senner (Summer), Andy Gilbert (Fall), Eric Secker (Winter), and Matt Igleski (Spring). There are many past field notes editors that also deserve acknowledgement for their contributions to the Meadowlark. I want to take the time to properly show my appreciation to them, and the many other people who put in countless hours, sometimes over many years, to support the endeavor that is the Meadowlark. More about that will come in a future message.

I have spent a good deal of time in this first month as president of IOS reflecting on what the organization does and what we look forward to doing for birding in Illinois. I am very excited for the future of this organization and I am thankful for the people who have helped it grow. Happy birding!

With thanks,

Andrea Tolzmann

IOS President

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ABOUT THE COVER:

Matt Misewicz took this photo of the Mexican Violetear in Mundelein, Lake County on 22 Aug. 2021.



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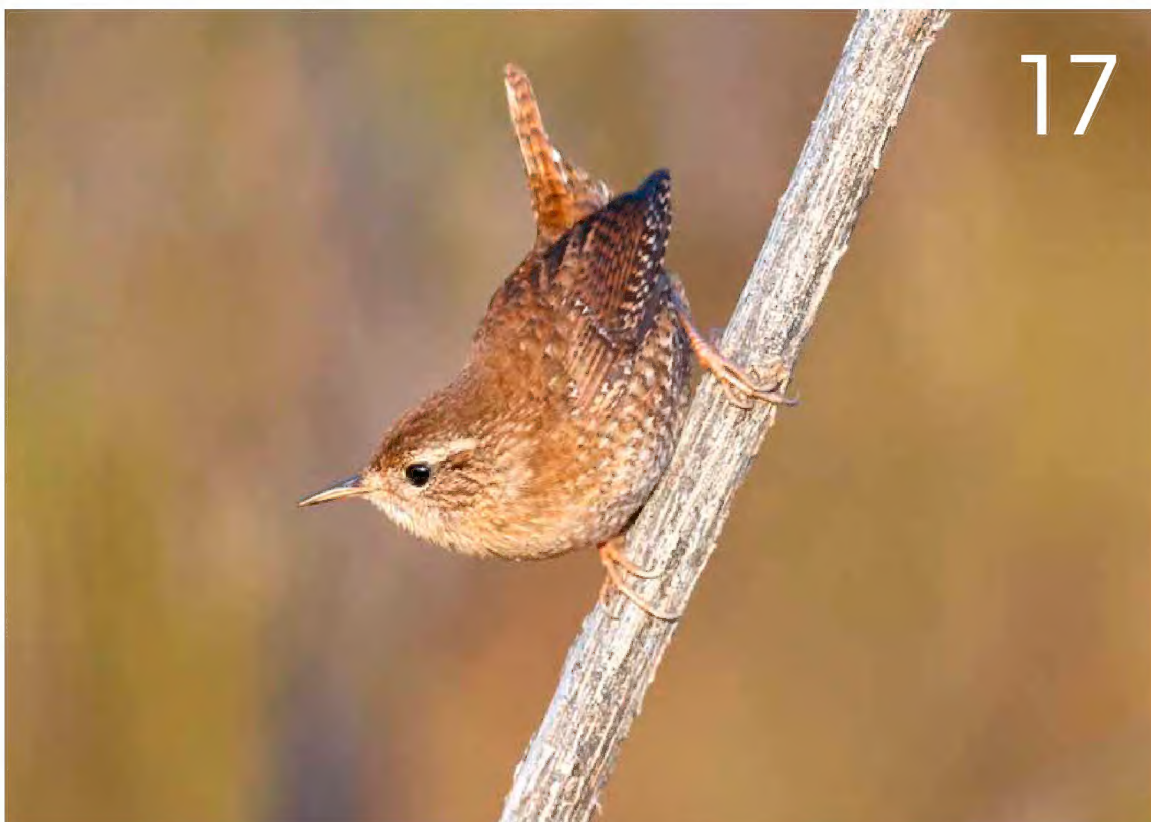
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EDITOR'S CORNER

Saying Farewell

By Eric Secker

It is with mixed feelings that I share that this will be my last issue as the chief editor of Meadowlark. It's hard to believe that it has been five years and over twenty issues have gone out since I came on board.

I have very much enjoyed redesigning the magazine, bringing it into full color every issue, and trying to carry on many of the great aspects of the magazine that were already established during Sheryl's many years as chief editor. With considerable help from volunteers and the IOS Board, we have made many great advancements with field notes including making them much easier to read, easy to access in digital and searchable formats, and perhaps most importantly much faster and easier for field notes editors to assemble.

All that said, doing both the editorial and design work for every issue is a tedious process that involves many hours. I have taken on producing multiple seasons of field notes either myself or with the help of others to keep things on track while we look for new field notes editors, as well as spent dozens of hours searching for photos, getting permission to use them, and carefully editing and processing every photo that gets placed in the magazine. I also slowly proof every article and section in the field notes — to the best of my grammatic ability at least. Amidst those time commitments, my availability has also shifted due to work, time with my daughter who was born in the middle of my season as editor, and new commitments as the president of the Bird Conservation Network. Meadowlark is also a never-ending process; as soon as one issue is complete, I find myself thinking about the next. I look forward to having weekends again where Meadowlark isn't looming over my head while I'm out enjoying birds.

Looking to the future, I'm excited

to announce that in my place, if I didn't just scare him off talking about the work involved, IOS has already found a new chief editor, Bob Dolgan, who will be taking over starting with the upcoming winter issue. Bob is a writer, consultant, and filmmaker who many Illinois birders are already very familiar with through his newsletter, "This Week in Birding," and his films like "Monty and Rose." Bob will also be assisted by a designer to help layout future Meadowlark issues as well as a continued team of volunteers helping with field notes, photos, and articles.

Although I'm stepping down, I suspect I will still find myself involved in helping with field notes and occasionally with articles for the magazine. On that note, although Andrea has already thanked many people in her President's Letter above, I want to take a moment to thank the field notes editors, past and present, contributors, IOS board members, and photographers who have worked closely with me over the past five years. I'm proud of the work that we've put together as a team of birders for the enjoyment of many others. I also want to thank all the birders who submit their sightings or manually submit field notes to Meadowlark. I value every birder's contributions, and we work hard to keep up with the challenges of ever growing piles of data and flooded email inboxes.

To all the readers here, thank you for bearing with us as we caught Meadowlark up to present and also lagged again as we improved field notes and continue to search for new field notes editors to fill roles for the spring and winter issues — honestly it's really not that hard anymore, and if you're an active Illinois birder interested in helping with field notes, please do reach out to IOS. We often work in teams on

the spring issue to make it even easier, and, speaking from past experience, the winter field notes are quite easy as the volume of data is much smaller. Although we're just getting caught back up again, I believe that the investments we have made to improve field notes and speed up the process will start to show more soon.

Thank you also to those who are understanding when issues rarely disappear in bulk mail or requested back issues are delayed as I tried to find time to assemble them or get additional copies printed. I gave my notice to IOS awhile back and was expecting to end last fall when my other commitments picked up, but I've continued on past that date while waiting for field notes that were delayed and to ensure that the magazine kept moving forward while IOS searched for a new editor. I'm happy to pass the baton now before I get even busier and at a time that seems right for keeping Meadowlark moving forward. I'm excited to see how it continues to evolve as new people take over and continue to share about rare birds, sightings, research, and the joy of birding in Illinois.

To many of my fellow birders, I miss seeing you more in the field and hope to run into you soon. And thanks again to those of you who have followed along on my own journey through these notes here. I'll sign off my final letter with my classic closing / valediction that I've been using with fellow birders for over twenty years:

Good birding,

Eric Secker
Chief Editor

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Twenty-Seventh Report of the Illinois Ornithological Records Committee

By Geoffrey A. Williamson

Evaluations by the Illinois Ornithological Records Committee (IORC or “the Committee”) are reported for records whose review concluded in 2021. There was a total of 132 records, including 112 accepted records of 51 species and forms and 20 unaccepted records of 16 species and forms.

We continue to follow the conventions used in the first 26 reports of the Committee, for example Williamson (2021), Sweet (2013) and Stotz (2012). The records below are divided into two groups: Accepted and Unaccepted. The Accepted group is further divided into Species New to the State List, Review List Species, and Other Species and Subspecies. The Unaccepted group is divided into Species New to the State List, Review List Species, and Other Species and Subspecies. Nomenclature, English names, and sequence of species conform to that of the 7th edition of the Check-list of North American Birds (American Ornithologists’ Union 1998) and its supplements through the 63rd (Chesser et al. 2022).

Accepted records are entered with the locality, including county; the date; the IORC record number (in parentheses, the year of initial observation followed by a serial number); and the initials of the primary observer(s) who contributed descriptions, photographs, sound recordings, and/or video recordings. Similar information is provided for unaccepted records, except the observers remain anonymous, and a brief explanation of why the record was not accepted is given. The initials of a contributor without any further modification indicate that they contributed solely written documentation. When additional information was provided, a colon follows the observer’s initials with the following codes: p for photographic evidence, s for sound recordings, and v for video recordings. Many contributing photographers also submitted written documentation, a practice that the Committee strongly encourages. If the observer who first discovered the bird is known to the committee, that observer’s initials are set off from the initials of other contributors by a semicolon. Initial observers who did not submit documentation are not always listed, but where possible we have indicated who initially discovered the bird(s) involved.

The Committee does not always take a position on the age or sex of a bird, and any such information given may be the observer’s opinion, rather than the Committee’s. All other remarks are the author’s, although most of the information comes from the Committee files, which are now stored in Chicago, Illinois in the Bird Division of the Field Museum of

Natural History.

In those cases where there are discrepancies between the details presented here and other published records, the data provided here represent the Committee’s best assessment of all available information. Date ranges for records reflect both the evidence in submitted documentation and information available to the Committee from other sources when judged by the Committee to be valid. Such sources include eBird (Sullivan et al. 2009), social media venues on the internet, listservs, and personal communications. The Committee accepts responsibility for any inaccuracies or misrepresentations of information herein. Errors that come to our attention will be published as corrigenda in a future IORC report.

DOCUMENTATION AND REVIEW LIST

The Committee requests documentation of all records of Review List forms within the state. The current Review List, available at <http://www.illinoisbirds.org/illinois-ornithological-records-committee/>, was most recently updated at the 19 March 2022 meeting of IORC. Among the changes were the removal from the Review List of Little Gull, Black Vulture, Swallow-tailed Kite, Barn Owl, Townsend’s Solitaire, Hoary Redpoll, White-winged Crossbill, and Western Tanager. Additionally, the Committee removed from the Review List Anhinga records from the southern tier of counties and Painted Bunting records from the area around East St. Louis, St. Clair County. As always, the Committee desires documentation of any species not listed in the Illinois State List of Birds (available at <http://www.illinoisbirds.org/the-birds-of-illinois/>). In some cases, documentation of regularly occurring species may be warranted. These instances may include out of season occurrences, first state nesting records or rarely occurring nesting records, and exceptionally high counts of species. Documentation in these cases should also be sent to the seasonal report editor for the appropriate season. Such records, as well as documentation submitted for the Christmas Bird Count and Spring Bird Count, are formally evaluated by the Committee at its discretion, but in all cases the materials are archived so as to be available in the future to students of Illinois bird life.

The Committee strongly encourages all observers of rare birds to submit documentation directly to IORC, even when

multiple observers are involved in a sighting. Cases do arise of records that are deemed unacceptable due to incomplete information, even when there were many observers, because adequate documentation was not submitted to the Committee. Photos are of course invaluable resources for the Committee, but even with high quality photographs available there are times when a tricky identification can be resolved only from written details not depicted in photos. The best practice is for observers to submit documentation directly to the Committee, even if it involves strictly photos.

The practice of the Committee is now also to accept into review sightings that are documented in eBird (Sullivan et al. 2009). Materials in the eBird database are archived by the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, which the Committee deems acceptable much in the same way that archiving of specimens by established museums and other entities is acceptable to the Committee for preserving such evidence. Nonetheless, the Committee prefers direct submission to IORC of documentary evidence. Often, details that are requested on IORC's documentation form are omitted from eBird checklists, so that the prompts within the process of direct submission to IORC frequently result in more comprehensive documentation.

OBSERVERS AND DOCUMENTERS

One hundred and fifty individuals contributed documentary material to the records involved in this report. Those among them who are cited in the accounts are listed below, followed in parentheses by their initials, which are used to reference them. IORC sincerely thanks all the documenters, in cases of accepted and unaccepted records alike, for their submissions. All documentation is maintained in the IORC archives so that there is a permanent record of all these observations. Documentation, regardless of the Committee's decision, is a valuable part of the record of bird life in Illinois.

Shanin Abreu (SA), Andrew S. Aldrich (ASA), Jill S. Anderson (JSA), Pat Anderson (PA), Mike Avara (MA), John M. Bates (JMB), Jack Bechtel (JBI), Vic O. Berardi (VOB), Jeff Bilsky (JBy), Richard A. Biss (RAB), Gary Bowman (GB), Ethan Brown (EB), Oliver Burrus (OB), Angelo P. Capparella (APC), Giuseppe Cesolini (GC), Tom Colin (TCn), Tony Commerci (TCi), Jason Cristino (JCo), Jake Cvetas (JCs), Matthew M. Cvetas (MMC), Travis DeNeal (TD), Colin Dobson (CD), Jacob Drucker (JD), Joshua I. Engel (JIE), Pete Fenner (PF), Matthew E. Fraker (MEF), Steven M. Freed (SMF), Ryan Fuller (RF), Tyler D. Funk (TDF), Christopher Gilbert (CG), Nathan R. Goldberg (NRG), Tommy Goodwin (TG), Woody Goss (WG), Bonnie Graham (BG), Jon Grainger (JG), Aaron Gyllenhall (AG), Diane Hansen (DHn), Jan Hansen (JHn), C. Leroy Harrison (CLH), Ted Hartzler (TH), Ann B. Haverstock (ABH), John A. Heneghan (JAH), Jarod Hitchings (JHs), Frank R. Holmes (FRH), Dustin Holschuh (DHh), David Horning (DHg), Steven J. Huggins (SJH), Robert D. Hughes (RDH), Tamima Itani (TI), David B. Johnson (DBJ), Scott Johnson (SJ), Ryan Jones (RJ), Davida Kalina (DKa), Pamela Karlson (PK), Dan M. Kassebaum (DMK),

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COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Membership in IORC during 2021 consisted of the following individuals:

- Matthew E. Fraker, Voting Member.
- Davida Kalina, Voting Member.
- Walter J. Marcisz, Voting Member.
- Adam W. Sell, Voting Member.
- Paul W. Sweet, Voting Member and Vice-Secretary.
- Terry Walsh, Voting Member.
- Geoffrey A. Williamson, Secretary.

Available to serve as an Alternate Member during 2021 were Robert E. Fisher, Robert D. Hughes, Douglas F. Stotz, Michael P. Ward, and David E. Willard. Among these, Robert D. Hughes and Douglas F. Stotz voted on records during the year.

We thank all the individuals mentioned above for their careful and thoughtful evaluation of records and for their various other services to the Committee. Their efforts were essential to the work of IORC and contributed greatly to the accumulating record of bird life in Illinois.

ACCEPTED RECORDS OF SPECIES NEW TO THE STATE LIST

One record of one species

Great Kiskadee (*Pitangus sulphuratus*) One at the Widewaters area of the Des Plaines River, Channahon, Will County 29 November to 13 December 2020 (2020-091; JCW:p; GC, JAH:p, TI, GAW:p). A detailed account of this record is provided by Huggins and Goldberg (2022), and a photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021b).

ACCEPTED RECORDS OF REVIEW LIST SPECIES

Fifty-eight records of 33 species

Brant (*Branta bernicla*) One at Winthrop Harbor, Lake County and Wilmette, Cook County 2 January 2021 then at Montrose Point, Lincoln Park, Chicago, Cook County 3-26 January 2021 (2021-001; RDH:p, TI:p, VN:p, TWh:p, GAW:p). This bird was spotted on 2 January 2021 by Eric Johnson at North Point Marina in Winthrop Harbor, then by Josh Engel further south in Lake County at Waukegan, and then by Vlad Nevirkovets even further south in Wilmette, Cook County. It was first located at Montrose Point the next day by Terry Walsh. The Brant present at the Manitowoc Impoundment, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin from November to 29 December 2020 (Marengo 2021), the individual here in record 2021-001 during 2-26 January 2021, and one found southeast of Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana 11-14 February 2021, where it was killed by a car (Hengeveld et al. 2021b) are all presumed to be the same bird. Photographs of this bird are in *Meadowlark* 30(3):3, 18, and 26.

Eurasian Wigeon (*Mareca penelope*) One at Newton Lake, Jasper County 18 November 2021 (2021-059; CLH:p, RES:p).

Common Ground-Dove (*Columbina passerina*) One south of Martinsville, Clark County 23 November 2020 (2020-085; SLL:p). This is the fifth accepted record in the 21st century. A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(2):17.

Mexican Violetear (*Colibri thalassinus*) One in Mundelein, Lake County 20-24 August 2021 (2021-051; JCo:p,v; DBJ:p, RJ:p, KML:p, AM:p, WM:p, GEN:p, DTW:p, GAW:p, JY:p). This individual was discovered by Jason and Jeanna Cristino at their home. It is the second state record.

Broad-billed Hummingbird (*Cynanthus latirostris*) One at LaBagh Woods Forest Preserve, Cook County 3-14 May 2021 (2021-024; GAW:p, TY:p, SZ:p). Nathan Goldberg found this individual, which provided the fourth record of the species for Illinois. A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021c).

Limpkin (*Aramus guarauna*) One at Chain-o-Lakes State Park, Lake County 10-14 July 2021 (2021-047; AN:p; OB:p, CAT:p). A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021d). One at Dixon Waterfowl Refuge, Putnam County 16-28 August 2021 (2021-050; SH:p; CAT). These were the second and third records for the state (with the first in 2019). This species has

undergone a recent range expansion along with a dramatic increase in extralimital observations (Minetor 2022).

Snowy Plover (*Charadrius nivosus*) One east of Woodson, Morgan County 4-7 May 2020 (2020-086; CD:p). A photograph of this bird is in *Meadowlark* 29(4):30. One in Chestnut, Logan County 31 May 2020 (2020-087; CD:p).

Ruff (*Calidris pugnax*) One along the Mississippi River levees, Monroe County 19 May 1984 (1984-025; WCR). An historic record brought to IORC's attention by the observer when entering the sighting into the eBird database. One in Oswego, Kendall County 26-30 April 2021 (2021-033; WG:p, JG:p, SJH:p, RJ:p, DKa:p, JN:p, LSP:p, CAT:p, JV:p). One at Salt Creek Marsh Forest Preserve, DuPage County 27-30 April 2021 (2021-021; TCi:p).

Purple Sandpiper (*Calidris maritima*) One to two in Waukegan, Lake County 6-19 December 2020 (2020-093; DTW:p). One bird was observed on 6 Dec by Jenny and Joe Cesolini; it was seen also on 7 Dec 2020. Then on 11 Dec 2020, two birds were observed, followed by a single individual observed 18-19 Dec 2020. Whether only two individuals or up to four are involved remains undetermined. A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(3):18. One at Waukegan Beach, Lake County 12-13 November 2021 (2021-061; HMe:p). This individual was first discovered by Annette McClellan.

Parasitic Jaeger (*Stercorarius parasiticus*) One at Chicago's Burnham Park, Cook County 17 September 2020 (2020-048; JD:p). One at Carlyle Lake, Clinton County 18-26 September 2020 (2020-089; CD:p); this individual was first found by Dan M. Kassebaum. One at Carlyle Lake, Clinton County 18 September 2021 (2021-076; CD:p, SZ:p).

Long-tailed Jaeger (*Stercorarius longicaudus*) One at Carlyle Lake, Clinton County 24-25 October 2020 (2020-100; NRG:p, CLH:p, TWf:p). A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(2):30. One at Carlyle Lake, Clinton County 11 September 2021 (2021-072; TAM:p). These are the 10th and 12th records for Illinois.

Royal Tern (*Thalasseus maximus*) One at Waukegan Beach, Lake County 18 July 2021 (2021-077; AM:p, WM:p). A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021d). One at Carlyle Lake, Clinton County 11-13 August 2021 (2021-048; CLH:p). These are the sixth and seventh Illinois records accepted by IORC.



ROYAL TERN. Carlyle Lake, Clinton Co. 11 Aug. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Pacific Loon (*Gavia pacifica*) One at Carlyle Lake, Clinton County 31 October to 1 November 2020 (2020-119; DMK:p; TS:p). One in Downs Township, McLean County 1-19 November 2020 (2020-130; SA, MJW; JCs:p, MMC:p, CD:p, BG:p, NK:p, MMy:p,v, MMz:p, PN:p, VS:p, PT:p, ST:p, SZ:p).

Wood Stork (*Mycteria americana*) One at Mermet Lake, Massac County 19 July to 11 August 2021 (2021-090; ASA:p, JBl, RJ:p). A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021d). This is the 13th record accepted by IORC and the 12th from 1989 or later. Bohlen (1989) discusses records appearing in the literature prior to 1989, the latest dating from 1967.

Magnificent Frigatebird (*Fregata magnificens*) One southeast of Grafton, Jersey County 4 November 2020 (2020-104; BW:p). This is the state's seventh record and the third in 2020.

Anhinga (*Anhinga anhinga*) One at Oakwood Bottoms, Jackson County 4-17 April 2021 (2021-013; CAT:p). This individual was found by Caroline Cooper, Jacob Cooper, and Zach Skubiszewski. One in Mokena, Will County 30 April 2021 (2021-022; EES).

Brown Pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis*) One at Harrisburg Lake, Saline County 23 May 2020 (2020-132; DHG:p).

White Ibis (*Eudocimus albus*) Two at Sanganois State Fish and Wildlife Area, Mason County 5 & 26 September 2021 (2021-080; CD:p). One at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, St. Clair County 15 October 2021 (2021-081; JCS:p).

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) One at Bailey Wetland, Richland and Wayne counties 7-18 October 2020 (2020-099; CLH:p). A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(2):32. One at Whalon Lake Forest Preserve, Will County 28-29 August 2021 (2021-082; KL:p, JL:p, MMe:p, JAS:p). One at Sawmill Lake, Putnam County 1-3 October 2021 (2021-054; SJH:p, DTW).

Roseate Spoonbill (*Platalea ajaja*) One in Golconda, Pope County 31 July 2021 (2021-049; CAT:p). A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021d). One at Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge, Williamson County 20 August to 4 September 2021 (2021-053; CAT:p). This individual was found by Katy Banning and Kimberly Rohling. These are the eighth and ninth records for Illinois, all in the 21st century, though see Stotz and Johnson (2004) for information about what is known regarding prior reports.

White-tailed Kite (*Elanus leucurus*) One near Lock & Dam #27, Madison County 21 June 2021 (2021-044; FRH:p, DMK:p, CAT:p). This individual was found by Mike Ward. It represents the third record for Illinois. A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021d).

Ferruginous Hawk (*Buteo regalis*) One at Illinois Beach State Park, Lake County 17 November 2021 (2021-058; VOB). This is the eighth record for Illinois accepted by IORC.

Gyr Falcon (*Falco rusticolus*) One gray morph in Waukegan, Lake County 13 January 2021 then 30 January through 4 February 2021 (2021-007; JIE, DHn:p, TI:p, PWS:p). Photographs of this bird appear in *Meadowlark* 30(3):1, 19, 20, and 21. The initial sighting was by Gustavo Ustariz.

Prairie Falcon (*Falco mexicanus*) One at the "Magic Stump" and nearby area, northern Coles County 29 October 2020 to 13 February 2021 (2020-116; CD:p, TDF:p, AL:p, TS:p, AT:p, TWf:p). One in western Douglas County 11 January 2021 (2021-028; SLL:p). One west of Chenoa, Livingston and McLean counties 27 October to 1 November 2021 (2021-064; TR:p; AR:p, HML:p).

Ash-throated Flycatcher (*Myiarchus cinerascens*) One at East Fork Lake, Richland County 30 October 2020 (2020-064; CLH:p; GB:p, NRG:p, RES:p). This is Illinois's seventh record. Photographs appear in *Meadowlark* 30(2):1, 17, and 34.

Bewick's Wren (*Thryomanes bewickii*) One to two in southern Schuyler County 7-13 July 2021 (2021-068; BSl:p; JSA:p,s, JCs:p, MMC:p, PF:p,s, TH:p, SZ:p). A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021d).

Mountain Bluebird (*Sialia currucoides*) One north of DeWitt, DeWitt County 28-31 December 2020 (2020-105; CD:p). This individual was found by Rhetta Jack on a Christmas Bird Count. A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(3):21.

Evening Grosbeak (*Coccothraustes vespertinus*) This report includes seven records. One in Normal, McLean County 28 October 2020 (2020-114; BM:p). This bird was at the home of Becky and Roger Anderson, who are said to have seen four birds there 27 October 2020. A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(2):13. Four in Golconda, Pope County 6 February 2021 (2021-005; CAT:p). Up to 27 at Cave in Rock, Hardin County 6 February to 2 May 2021 (2021-004; CAT:p). Up to eight in Chambersburg, Pike County 20 February to 3 April 2021 (2021-006; CAT:p). A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(3):24. Six to 23 in Simpson, Johnson County 14 April to 4 May 2021 (2021-017; CAT:p). One in Normal, McLean County 8-9 May 2021 (2021-039; TL:p, APC). This was a Spring Bird Count record. One at Stickney Run Conservation Area, McHenry County 9 November 2021 (2021-065; LM).

Lark Bunting (*Calamospiza melanocorys*) One at Rainbow Beach, Chicago, Cook County 6 October 2020 (2020-126; MMe:p). This is the ninth record accepted by IORC since 1988.

Bullock's Oriole (*Icterus bullockii*) One east of Murrayville, Morgan County 24-25 April 2021 (2021-019; CAT:p, DTW:p). This bird was found by Pat Ward coming to feeders at his home. This is Illinois's fifth accepted record. A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021c).

Great-tailed Grackle (*Quiscalus mexicanus*) One in Hodgkins, Cook County 18-23 April 2021 (2021-032; PA:p, SJH:p, TWf:p). This bird was found by Eddie Kasper. It represents Illinois's 16th accepted record.

Swainson's Warbler (*Limnothlypis swainsonii*) One at Cypress Creek National Wildlife Refuge, Union County 9 May 2020 (2020-113; CG:p,s). A photo appears with Hengeveld et al. (2021a) and also in *Meadowlark* 29(4):45. One in Pomona, Jackson County 13 May 2021 (2021-066; RSR:s).

Painted Bunting (*Passerina ciris*) One male at Winnemac Park, Chicago, Cook County 24 May 2021 (2021-037; TW:p). This individual was found by Haley Henning and Daniel Crespo. One male in Alden Township, McHenry County 30 November to 2 December 2021 (2021-062; RSt:p).

ACCEPTED RECORDS OF OTHER SPECIES AND SUBSPECIES

Fifty-three records involving 18 species, including one record involving a subspecies form.

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (*Dendrocygna autumnalis*)

Two at Grand Tower, Jackson County 10 April 2021 (2021-016; CAT:p). One found dead in Fairfield, Wayne County 4 June 2021 (2021-042; RES:p).

White-winged Dove (*Zenaida asiatica*) One in Mendota, LaSalle County 22 May 2020 (2020-109; DR:p).

Rufous Hummingbird (*Selasphorus rufus*) One adult female in Lisle, DuPage County 1-10 December 2020 (2020-108; TI:p, VMK).

Little Gull (*Hydrocoloeus minutus*) Eight records were accepted. One in the Illinois River floodplain, Woodford County during 16-29 June 2019 (2019-022; MEF:p, DHh:p, MMe:p, VM, DTW:p). This individual was originally found by Andrew P. Sigler. One at Lake Shelbyville, Shelby County 25-31 October 2020 (2020-127; TAM:p). One at Heidecke Lake, Grundy County 26 October 2020 (2020-128; MMz:p). One at Saganashkee Slough, Cook County 27-28 October 2020 (2020-129; BSs:p; NRG:p). One in Lake Township, Clinton County 20 March 2021 (2021-045; DMK:p). One at Lake Springfield, Sangamon County 31 March to 1 April 2021 (2021-029; JMq:p, DO:p). This individual was first found by Colin Dobson. One at the Spring Lake unit of Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife Refuge, Carroll County 4 April 2021 (2021-030; EES). One at Rend Lake, Jefferson County 9 September 2021 (2021-071; AG:p).

California Gull (*Larus californicus*) One immature at Lake Springfield, Sangamon County during 19 July 2020 to 10 February 2021 (2020-027; CD:p).

Neotropic Cormorant (*Nannopterum brasilianum*) One at Big Lake, Brown County 12 April 2020 (2020-088; CD:p). One at Lock & Dam 13, Whiteside County 23-25 July 2020 (2020-030; EB:p, DTW). One at Horseshoe Lake State Park, Madison County 10-15 March 2021 (2021-008; FRH:p).

Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*) Five records were accepted. One at Sedge Meadow Forest Preserve, Lake County 16 May 2020 (2020-120; RAB:p,v). One in Irving, Montgomery County 3 October 2020 (2020-123; JHs). Four east of Sam Parr State Park, Jasper County 15 December 2020 (2020-095; RES:p). This was a Christmas Bird Count record. One in Skokie, Cook County 29 June 2021 (2021-069; JMB:p). One in Lincoln Park, Chicago, Cook County 13-14 November 2021 (2021-055; GAW:p). This bird was found by Frank Geilen. Observers noticed its increasingly weakened state. It was taken into captivity on 14 November 2021, brought to a rehabilitator, and subsequently released after recovering health.

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*) One in Waukegan, Lake County 19 June 2020 (2020-107; DKt). One east of Plainville, Adams County 15 August 2021 (2021-078; JMs:p).

Swainson's Hawk (*Buteo swainsonii*) One in Sycamore, DeKalb County 21 April 2021 (2021-018; KR:p).

Barn Owl (*Tyto alba*) One in Pawnee, Sangamon County 25 August 2016 (2016-107; AP:p). One to two in Pawnee, Sangamon

County 5-31 March 2017 (2017-086; CD, CL:p). One in Burnham Park, Chicago, Cook County 23 August to 1 September 2021 (2021-052; GAW:p). This individual was found by Claire Halpin.

Northern Flicker (Red-shafted) (*Colaptes auratus* [cafer Group]) One in Chicago, Cook County 12 May 2021 (2021-073; PK:p). This is the second record of this form evaluated by IORC, both accepted. Bohlen (1989) notes that this form “occurs rarely in Illinois” and lists four observations that occurred between 1979 and 1987.

Townsend's Solitaire (*Myadestes townsendi*) One at Gremel Wildlife Sanctuary, Lee County 14 May 2021 (2021-036; BL; CAT:p, EWW:p). One in Oswego, Kendall County 31 October 2021 (2021-079; SJ:p).

Hoary Redpoll (*Acanthis hornemanni*) Four accepted records. One at Kennekuk Cove County Park, Vermilion County 18 November 2020 (2020-090; CD:p). One at Jackson Park, Chicago, Cook County 8 December 2020 (2020-094; RLS:p). One at Burnham Park, Chicago, Cook County 9 December 2020 (2020-124; RF:p). One in Plano, Kendall County 7 March 2021 (2021-027; SJ:p, RJ:p, CS:p).

White-winged Crossbill (*Loxia leucoptera*) Ten accepted records. Two to eight at Greenwood Cemetery, Rockford, Winnebago County 17 November to 22 December 2020 (2020-102; JCL:p). A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(3):23. One in Rockford, Winnebago County 23 November 2020 (2020-092; DTW:p). One at Afton Forest Preserve, DeKalb County 29 November 2020 (2020-115; JAH:p). One to 10 in Hampton, Rock Island County 10-26 December 2020 (2020-098; SMF; DTW:p). One in Pana, Christian County 17-23 January 2021 (2021-009; TCn:p). One in Galesburg, Knox County 30 January to 9 February 2021 (2021-012; DJM:p). One at Mesa Lake, south of Lancaster, Wabash County 8 April 2021 (2021-011; RES:p). One at Ft. Sheridan Forest Preserve, Lake County 31 October 2021 (2021-083; KK:p, HMe:p). One in Carol Stream, DuPage County 6 & 17 December 2021 (2021-088; CR:p). One in Waukegan, Lake County 7 December 2021 (2021-089; LK).

Kentucky Warbler (*Geothlypis formosa*) One in Waukegan, Lake County 13 December 2020 (2020-101; PSW:p). This individual represents Illinois's first winter record. A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(3):25.

Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*) One at Skokie Lagoons, Cook County 26 December 2020 (2020-103; JBy:p). A photograph appears in *Meadowlark* 30(3):25. One at Mermet Lake Conservation Area, Massac County 30 December 2020 (2020-106; VL).

Western Tanager (*Piranga ludoviciana*) Four accepted records. One at Buffalo Park Forest Preserve, Kane County 8-9 May 2019 (2019-077; EES; JS). One at Chicago's Grant Park, Cook County 9 May 2019 (2019-076; ABH). One in Channahon, Will County during 12-17 December 2020 that moved to nearby Minooka, Grundy County during 19-20 December 2020 (2020-097; DTW:p, GAW:p); this bird was initially discovered by Niklas Klauss and Alex Mertensen. Photographs appear with Hengeveld et al. (2021b) and in *Meadowlark* 30(3):25 and 40. One at Homer Lake State Conservation Area, Champaign County 28 April 2021 (2021-034; AT:p).

Painted Bunting (*Passerina ciris*) One male in East St. Louis, St. Clair County 18-28 June 2020 (2020-131; TG:p; RJ:p). One to three in East St. Louis, St. Clair County 29 May to 30 July 2021 (2021-074; RSr:s; MA, IS-C, CD, TD, JHn:p, TH:p, MST:p). The Committee recently adjusted the Review List so that observations from the East St. Louis area no longer require documentation.

UNACCEPTED RECORDS

UNACCEPTED RECORDS OF SPECIES NEW TO THE STATE LIST

Two records of two species

Graylag Goose (*Anser anser*) One in Princeville, Peoria County 6 April 2021 (2021-015). The documentation did not eliminate other goose species such as Greater White-fronted Goose from consideration, nor did it address the possibility of it being a domestic form of Graylag Goose were it indeed that species.

European Goldfinch (*Carduelis carduelis*) One in Waukegan, Lake County 7 June 2021 (2021-043). This record is supported by a photograph that clearly establishes the bird as a European Goldfinch. Nonetheless, the record was rejected based on origin. There are numerous European Goldfinches in the Waukegan area (Sell 2021); however, the Committee has not yet considered the question of whether this population is established, and the documentation for this record was silent on that issue.

UNACCEPTED RECORDS OF REVIEW LIST SPECIES

Nine records of eight species

Barrow's Goldeneye (*Bucephala islandica*) One at Dixon Waterfowl Refuge, Putnam County 28 November 2020 (2020-096). Voting was split on this single observer sight record. Those voting against expressed a desire for physical evidence or corroboration by other observers.

Wilson's Plover (*Charadrius wilsoni*) One northwest of Gorham, Jackson County 9 April 2021 (2021-031). This may very well have been a Wilson's Plover, but the limited information about the appearance of the bird and the circumstances of the observation kept the Committee from accepting it as such.

Mountain Plover (*Charadrius montanus*) One east of Arcola, Douglas County 24 & 28 April 2010 (2010-033). Detailed arguments of several Committee members noted that plumage features on the head as well as bill shape supported identification as American Golden-Plover. The split vote of the Committee was perhaps a reflection of how similar that species and Mountain Plover can be. A photograph of this bird was published with Williamson (2011), with the caption optimistically and erroneously labelling it the state's second record of Mountain Plover, though the text of the report marks the sighting as pending IORC review. The observation was also published

as pertaining to Mountain Plover in Hengeveld et al. (2010).

Parasitic Jaeger (*Stercorarius parasiticus*) One at Gillson Park, Wilmette, Cook County 22 September 2021 (2021-075). A majority of the Committee found the brief description insufficient to conclude the specific identify of this jaeger.

Anhinga (*Anhinga anhinga*) One near the confluence of the Big Muddy River and Mississippi River, Jackson County 26 June 2021 (2021-067). The documentation included only a minimal description of the bird, insufficient to rule out a Double-crested Cormorant for instance.

Glossy Ibis (*Plegadis falcinellus*) One at Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area, Grundy County 22-30 September 2020 (2020-059). A difficult record, with voting going two rounds, and with switches of votes going both directions. In the end, the majority view was that there was insufficient evidence to rule out this bird being an immature White-faced Ibis. One at Lake Arispie, Bureau County 19-25 October 2021 (2021-056). The Committee was unanimous that nothing in the documentation ruled out the possibility that this individual was a juvenile White-faced Ibis. Juvenile Glossy Ibis and White-faced Ibis are extremely difficult to differentiate in the field, unless the red coloration of the eyes of White-faced has started to come in (as the eyes of young White-faced are dark like Glossy's). Another concern that was expressed was the question of hybridization, which needs also to be addressed for this species pair.

Gyr Falcon (*Falco rusticolus*) One white morph in Hudson, McLean County 6 February 2021 (2021-002). The Committee needed two rounds of voting to adjudicate this record, but the second round concluded with members nearly unanimous in not accepting it. The rarity of white morph Gyrfalcons in the lower 48 states, unusual aspects in behaviors noted in the documentation (the amount of hunting activity in the time frame following a successful kill, and the presence and nature of the vocalizations), and the long distance for an observation made with the unaided eye were all factors in the Committee's discomfort in accepting the record.

Kirtland's Warbler (*Setophaga kirtlandii*) One at Busey Woods, Urbana, Champaign County 15 May 2021 (2021-025). The Committee was split on this record. All members felt that Kirtland's Warbler was a possibility for the identity of this bird, but the majority felt that the brevity of the sighting contributed enough doubt about other species being adequately excluded, despite the features described in the documentation being most consistent with Kirtland's Warbler.

UNACCEPTED RECORDS OF OTHER SPECIES AND SUBSPECIES

Nine records of six species, including one subspecies

Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*) One at Bowen Park, Waukegan, Lake County 16 May 2020 (2020-121). The brevity of the documentation and its minimal description of the bird led the Committee to decline to accept. One at Heron County Park, Vermilion County 26 September 2020 (2020-122). The Committee felt that the description of the bird was insufficient for concluding identification to species.



MEXICAN VIOLETEAR. Mundelein, Lake Co. 22 Aug. 2021. Photo by Junko Yokota.

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*) One in Monticello, Piatt County 27 May 2021 (2021-038). The Committee was split in its view on this record, with a majority against acceptance. Concerns included the brevity of the sighting, the lack of a description of the entire bird, and the extent of detail in the description of what was seen. This could very well have been a Swallow-tailed Kite, but the Committee was not comfortable to accept it as such.

Hoary Redpoll (*Acanthis hornemanni*) One photographed at Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area, Grundy County 6 January 2021 (2021-026). The Committee felt there was insufficient evidence to exclude Common Redpoll definitively.

White-winged Crossbill (*Loxia leucoptera*) One in Crystal Lake, McHenry County 3 December 2021 (2021-085). One in Boone Creek Conservation Area, McHenry County 4 December 2021 (2021-086). Seven or eight in Waukegan, Lake County 4 December 2021 (2021-087). All three of these records involved calling birds flying past the observers. In each case, the description of the birds and their call notes was quite limited, without arguments to eliminate similar species. Though these records may very well be correct, a majority of Committee members was uncomfortable to accept without further evidence.



SMALL-BILLED ELAENIA. Waukegan Beach, Lake Co. 28 Nov. 2021. Photo by Geoff Williamson.

Western Tanager (*Piranga ludoviciana*) One at LaBagh Woods Forest Preserve, Cook County 8 May 2021 (2021-035). The record circulated for two rounds of review; nonetheless, the position of the Committee in the second round was unanimous. Concerns included the brevity of the observation, the fact that the presence or absence of wingbars was not noted, and that the bill shape was not described.

Palm Warbler (Yellow) (*Setophaga palmarum hypochrysea*) One photographed at Hickory Creek Preserve, Will County 9 November 2020 (2020-071). This record underwent two rounds of review, but the Committee's view was unanimous in the second round that there was insufficient evidence to conclude identity as the eastern form of Palm Warbler. One specific concern was the lack of a yellow supercilium.

CORRIGENDA

In the 26th IORC Report (Williamson 2021), several records were referenced by incorrect file numbers. The correct file number for the accepted Townsend's Solitaire record from 25 October 2019 at Henneberry Woods Forest Preserve, Kendall County is 2019-056, not 2019-055 as referenced in the report. (Note that the accepted Townsend's Solitaire record on 13 October 2019 in Oswego, Kendall County in the same report was referenced correctly by 2019-055.) Furthermore, the accepted Neotropic Cormorant records referenced incorrectly via 2017-074 and 2017-075 have correct file numbers 2019-074 and 2019-075, respectively. ■

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2021 Photo Highlights

1. Prairie Falcon. McLean Co. 27 Oct. 2021. Photo: Taylor Root.

2. White-faced Ibis. Whalon Lake, Will Co. 28 Aug. 2021. Photo: Ryan Jones.

3. Small-billed Elaenia. Waukegan Beach, Lake Co. 27 Nov. 2021. Photo: Jeff Bilsky.

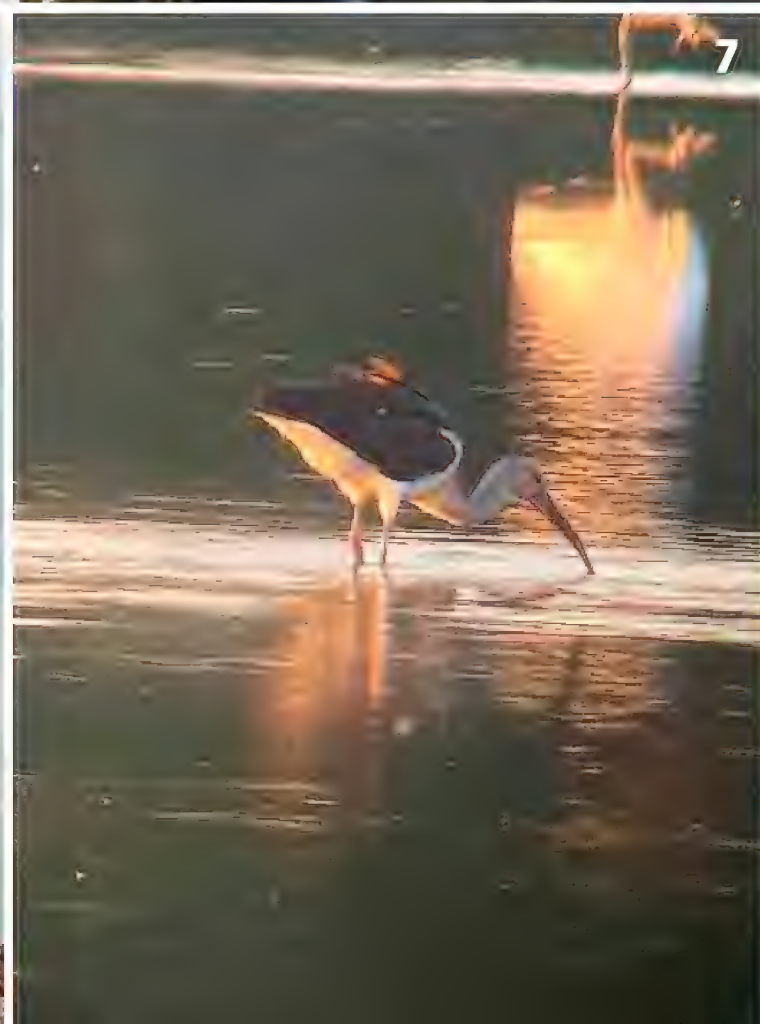
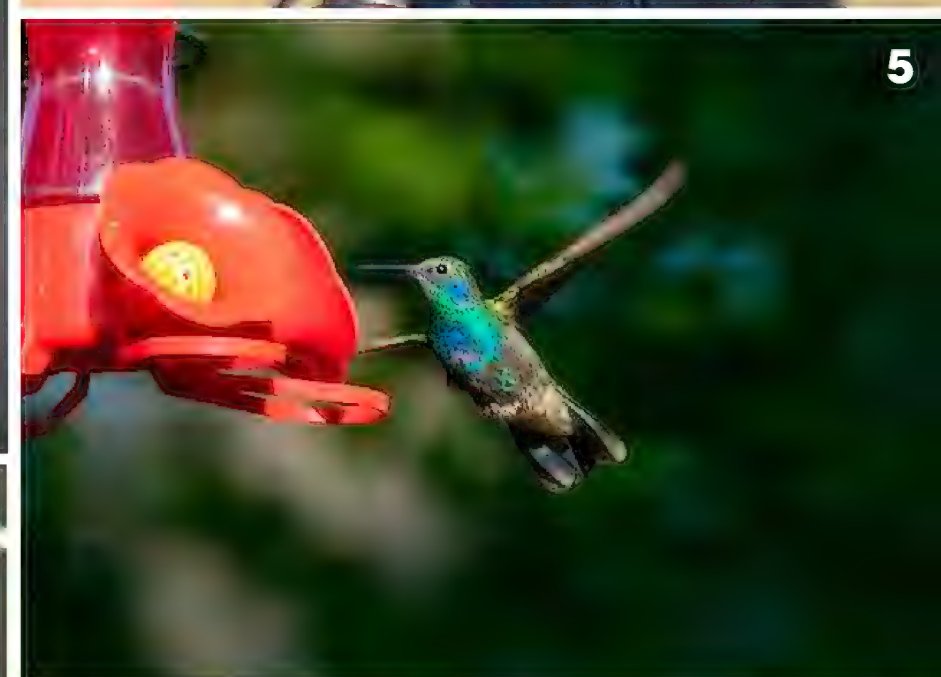
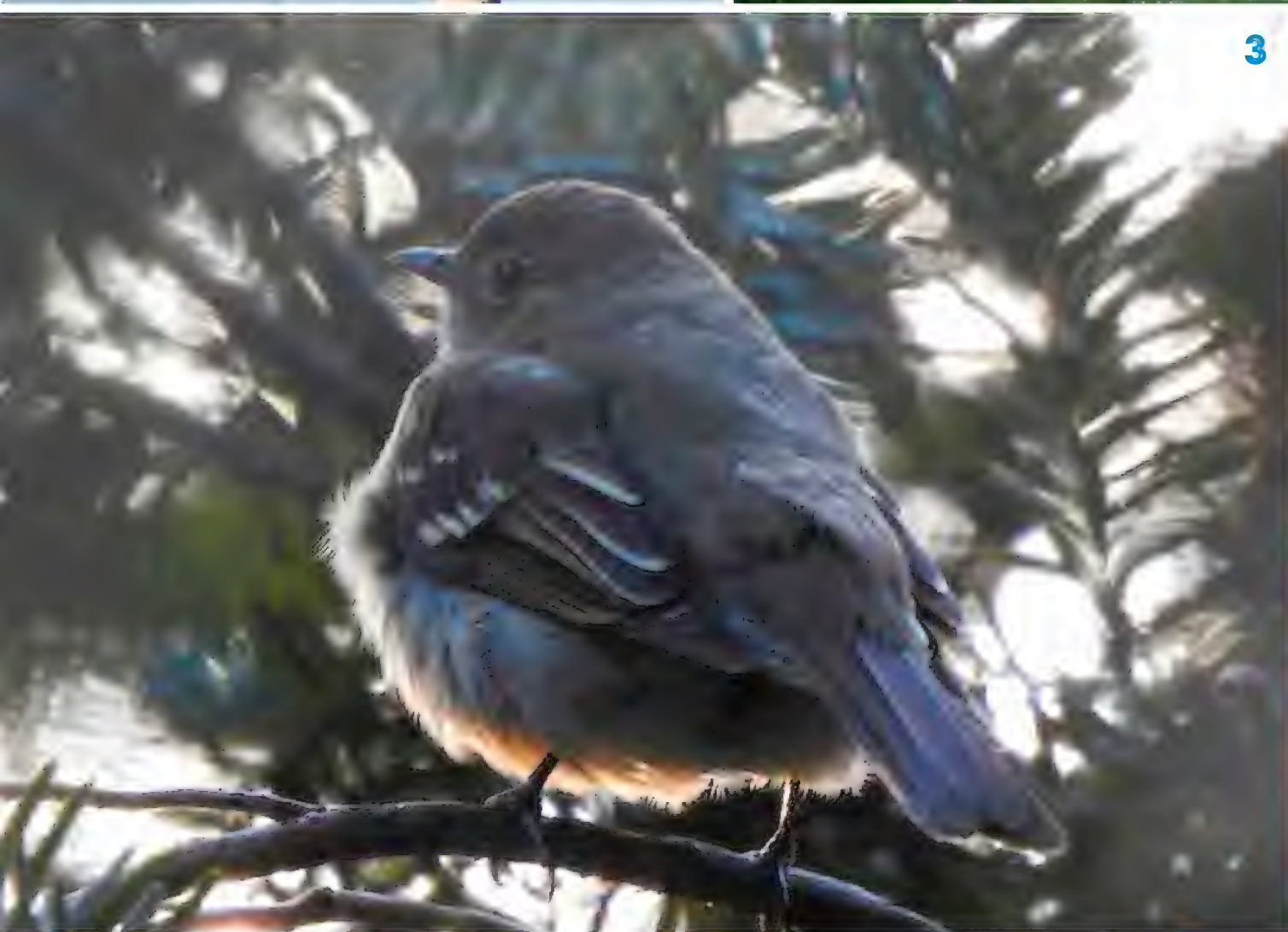
4. Say's Phoebe. Grantsburg, Johnson Co. 22 Sep. 2021. Photo: Cathy Morvich.

5. Mexican Violetear. Mundelein, Lake Co. 22 Aug. 2021. Photo: Ryan Jones.

6. Purple Sandpiper. Waukegan Beach, Lake Co. 13 Nov. 2021. Photo: Henry Meade.

7. White Ibis. Sanganois SFWA, Mason Co. 5 Sep. 2021. Photo: Colin Dobson.

8. Limpkin. Dixon Waterfowl Refuge, Putnam Co. 16 Aug. 2021. Photo: Scott Harp.





SECOND ILLINOIS RECORD OF **MEXICAN VIOLETEAR** WITH NOTES ON MIDWEST RECORDS

By Jason Cristino

MEXICAN VIOLETEAR. Mundelein, Lake Co. 22 Aug. 2021. Photo by Ryan Jones.

I had just made a fresh batch of nectar using the last bit of sugar in my kitchen a few days before this escapade began. It was Friday, 20 August 2021 and I was working from home in Mundelein. My computer was purposefully placed within view of the feeders hanging from our deck so I could glimpse the Ruby-throated Hummingbirds (*Archilochus colubris*) that were visiting daily. I spent most of the morning between emails and phone calls gazing out the window at the feeders and taking in the last days of summer.

It was around noon when I first saw a streak of emerald green zipping around the deck. I initially dismissed it as another Ruby-throated. But when the green streak reappeared the second time, I knew immediately this was no ordinary hummingbird. I first noticed its size, exclaiming “that is the biggest hummingbird I’ve ever seen.” I grabbed my binoculars and quietly made my way onto the deck. I was within a few feet of the feeders when the hummingbird returned.

Still ignorant as to what I was seeing, I sat there enamored with the sheer agility of the bird; flying forward and backward at steep angles and moving with great speed. When the bird began drinking from the feeder I saw its stunning plumage – emerald green all over with a deep violet blue chin and metallic violet across the “ear,” plus a dark blue subterminal band across its tail. At this point I was sure I was seeing something special, so I consulted my Peterson Field Guide (2002) and tried to identify the bird. The closest entry I could find was labeled as

a Green Violet-ear (*Colibri thalassinus*), a casual vagrant and stray from Mexico. It was accompanied by an inconspicuous picture and no additional information was given.

Recognizing that this could be quite rare and doubting what I was really seeing, I sat patiently with my camera phone aligning the lens through the binoculars hoping to snap a picture that I could share with friends and family. The bird was so active at the feeder that it did not take long to get a decent image. I sent the picture to my friend Brian Donahue, an avid birder, claiming what I thought to be a Green Violet-ear.

I continued to observe the bird’s behavior while waiting for Brian’s response. The bird would feed for 10–30 seconds, fly out of sight, then return to perch on the same oak branch for several minutes before flying back to the feeder. This pattern was repeated every 10–15 minutes through the afternoon. The bird was aggressively defending the feeder too, chasing off Ruby-throated Hummingbirds and the occasional bee. I heard vocalizing when the bird was at the feeder, a chatter or rattle and sometimes a single loud abrupt high-pitched chirp.

I was dizzy from watching the bird all afternoon when Brian texted me back. The text simply read, “The bird nerds are going nuts!” Brian was out of town and put me in touch with his friend Karen Lund who wanted to see the bird the next day. I describe myself as a casual bird enthusiast so I simply wanted to share this with anyone who would be interested. I said, “Of course Karen can come!”

As the afternoon wound down the hummingbird continued to dash in and out of the dappled light of the oak trees, sparkling like a jewel when a ray of sun hit its iridescent feathers. I watched the bird until the sun was nearly set then left the deck hoping to see it again tomorrow.

Luckily, the next morning the hummingbird was back and just as active. Karen had arrived from DeKalb Co, right as the hummingbird was zipping to the feeder. Karen identified the bird as a Green Violet-ear or its new common name Mexican Violetear (AOS 2021) and graciously asked if David B. Johnson could come over. I stated, "Of course David can come over!"

David arrived in what seemed like minutes and also confirmed the identification as a Mexican Violetear. With the help of David and Karen, I was now beginning to understand the importance of this sighting. Both David and Karen respectfully asked if we could share the experience with others. "Of course others can come!" Indeed, they did!

After explaining to my wife Jeanna that I was not hosting an underground fight club in our backyard, she was eager to meet everyone and discuss the Mexican Violetear. The crowd grew steadily and the excitement was contagious. As word of mouth spread like wildfire, folks began arriving from all over. Phone calls and texts came in from Texas and North Carolina; people were driving in from southern Illinois and Wisconsin. People of all ages from 10 to over 90 years old showed up! All the while the Mexican Violetear continued to put on a spectacular and dauntless show. The joy this small bird brought to so many--easily over 100 observers, and the gratitude we received was truly inspiring.

It was Jeanna who had the great idea to turn this special situation into something impactful. As the Creative Services Manager for the Lake County Forest Preserves (LCFPD), Jeanna educates and motivates the public to be champions of conservation. By setting out a donation jar for the LCFPD Preservation Foundation, we could help support those efforts. The generosity and enthusiasm from the birding community was not surprising. We ended up raising a substantial amount and donated 100% to the Preservation Foundation.

Eventually, late on Saturday the Mexican Violetear became less frequent at our feeder and was observed perching, hovering, preening, and visiting a feeder in a neighbor's yard. A few folks stayed in our yard to catch a final glimpse as the sun set behind the trees.

We woke early on Sunday to about 30 people in our yard, surprised because we hadn't heard them make a sound. Everyone was so respectful, and several people were willing to support and guide us in the steps to officially document the record. Many more continued to donate and thank us for opening our yard to them. The Mexican Violetear visited the feeder in the morning but became scarce throughout the day, preferring the neighbors feeder. The final observation I made at our feeder was on Sunday, 22 August at around 7 p.m. I watched diligently for several more days but sadly our visitor never returned to our yard, however, several observations were noted in eBird (M. Cvetas, pers. comm.) "two doors down to the northwest" through Tuesday, 24 August 2021.

Just like that the whirlwind was over. Almost. The story made the front page of the Daily Herald (Mikus 2021) and became the number one trending story for three days in a row – which is almost unheard of. Jeanna wrote a sidebar for the fall Horizons, a quarterly newsletter, for our unexpected visitor (LCFPD 2021). I did an ABA (American Birding Association) podcast interview with Greg Neise (Swick 2021) and we received a letter from our state representative. We enjoyed our 15 minutes of fame.

Soon I became aware that there was an earlier first Mexican Violetear record for Illinois on 10 August 2009 (Stotz 2012) in St. Clair, Co. After a little research I found that middle U.S. continental records showed a definite pattern of extensive vagrancy. Neighboring states had also recorded observations of Mexican Violetear: Indiana (2), Iowa (2), Missouri (1), and eight for Wisconsin. In fact, there are 27 records for the Midwest, most records are from the summer months and early fall, see Appendix. Canada, directly to the north of us, even had its first violetear in Ontario nearly thirty years ago (Escott 1992). Even more amazing is the fact that Texas has recorded 96 observations of Mexican Violetear since its first record in July 1961 (TBRC 2021).

In the end, I continue to ask myself: out of millions of backyards, why did this one magnificent Mexican Violetear end up in mine? That is something I will never be able to answer but something I will always be grateful for.

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APPENDIX. TABLE OF MIDWEST MEXICAN VIOLETEAR RECORDS

State	Date(s)	Location	County	Reference
IL	10 Aug 2009	near Mascoutah	St. Clair	Meadowlark 19(2): p. 57
IL	20-24 Aug 2021	Mundelein, Loch Lomond	Lake	Daily Herald 26 Aug 2021: pp 1 & 5, K. Mikus
IN	31 Jul 2011	near Attica	Fountain	Indiana Audubon Quarterly Vol. 89, No. 4 Nov 2011 p13
IN	2-3 Oct 2009	Leopold	Perry	Indiana Audubon Quarterly Vol. 90, No. 2 May 2012 p19
IA	12-14 Sep 2006	Sioux City	Woodbury	https://iowabirdrecords.org/Reports/
IA	27 Sep-2 Oct 2005	sw of Grundy Center	Grundy	https://iowabirdrecords.org/Reports/
KS	8-12 Jun 2011	between Manhattan and Keats	Riley	ksbirds.org
MI	2-3 Jul 2011	Shelter Bay	Alger	mibirdrecords.com
MI	5-6 Jul 2008	Shelter Bay	Alger	mibirdrecords.com
MI	13-14 Jul 2011	Springvale Twp	Emmet	mibirdrecords.com
MI	13-14 Jul 2014	White Cloud	Newaygo	mibirdrecords.com
MI	15 Jul-18 Aug 1996	Edwardsburg	Cass	mibirdrecords.com
MI	11-14 August 2002	Topaz	Ontonogan	mibirdrecords.com
MI	26 Sep 2009	Comstock Park	Kent	mibirdrecords.com
MI	18-28 Oct 2008	Cascade Twp	Kent	mibirdrecords.com
MN	12 Jun 2004	Linwood Twp	Anoka	moumn.org
MN	25 Jul-21 Aug 2005	Straight River Twp	Hubbard	moumn.org
MO	24 Jun-2 Jul 1993		Reynolds	Birds of Missouri kuscholarworks.ku.edu
OH	15-16 Aug 2005	near Holmesville	Holmes	Ohio Cardinal, Fall 2005: p46-49
WI	7-10 July 2008	Forcione feeder	Vernon	wsobirds.org
WI	end of Jul-early Oct 2002		Dunn	wsobirds.org
WI	2 Aug 2020	Gay Mills area	Crawford	wsobirds.org
WI	31 Aug-3 Sep 2005	Solon Springs	Douglas	wsobirds.org
WI	4 Sep 2005	Near Spring Green	Sauk	wsobirds.org
WI	13 Sep 2012	Fifield	Price	wsobirds.org
WI	22 Sep-1 Nov 1998	Coulee Springs Rd	La Crosse	wsobirds.org
WI	3 Oct 2002		Bayfield	wsobirds.org



FIELD NOTES

The Fall 2021

Migration Season

Editor: Andy Gilbert



MARSH WREN, Jasper Co. 17 Sep. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

INTRODUCTION

The fall of 2021 began with above average temperatures that persisted throughout much of the fall migration season across much of Illinois. Temperatures throughout August, September, and October tended to be above average across much of the state. October was especially warm and was the 8th warmest October on record for Illinois. Temperatures in November tended to be variable but mild and averaged 1 degree below average for Illinois. Although temperatures were consistently warmer for much of the fall migration season, precipitation was much more variable. August and October averaged above average precipitation while September and November averaged below average precipitation. October was exceptionally wet across much of the state and was the 4th wettest October on record for Illinois. Whereas November was exceptionally dry and was the 9th driest November on record. Mild temperatures and dry conditions throughout November resulted in no measurable snowfall across the state during the fall migratory season.

REGULARLY OCCURRING SPECIES HIGHLIGHTS

During fall 2021 regularly occurring species averaged being reported in 5.6 more counties than during the 5-year average of the previous five falls. A total of 43 regularly occurring species were reported in fewer counties in fall 2021 than their 5-year average. Species with the greatest decline in reported counties compared to their 5-year average include Pine Siskin (-10.0 Counties), Red Crossbill (-7.6 Counties), Northern Mockingbird (-6.6 Counties), Grasshopper Sparrow (-6.6 Counties), and Common Goldeneye (-6.0 Counties). Interestingly, the species with the greatest increase in reported counties compared to their 5-year average were all warblers, including Blackburnian Warbler (+26.6 Counties), Bay-breasted Warbler (+25.2 Counties), Ovenbird (+25.0 Counties), Northern Parula (+24.4 Counties), and Chestnut-sided Warbler (+22.8 Counties).

Overall 325 species were reported in Illinois during fall

2021. The 102 counties in Illinois are typically divided into three regions for bird records. These regions include Northern Illinois (24 counties), Central Illinois (40 Counties), and Southern Illinois (38 Counties). Northern Illinois had the greatest species total of the three regions of Illinois with 304 species reported, followed by Central Illinois with 296 species reported and Southern Illinois with 276 species reported. The average number of species reported per county per region was 194 species/county in Northern Illinois, 143 species/county in Central Illinois, and 125 species/county in Southern Illinois. The counties with the highest number of species reported were Cook (276 species), Lake (260 species), DuPage (244 species), Will (237 species), and Putnam (230 species). The counties with the lowest number of species reported were Perry (17 species), Richland (36 species), Cass (49 species), Washington (56 species), and Hardin (56 species).

RARITIES

Fall migration 2021 had a number of notable rare birds reported across Illinois. Undoubtedly, the most unexpected rarity reported during the fall 2021 migration season was the Small-billed Elaenia that was discovered by Susan Miller-Zelek at Waukegan beach in Lake County. The bird was present for nearly 2 weeks and was able to be observed by many people. With only a few records of Small-billed Elaenia in North America, it is astonishing that this is the second occurrence of this species in Illinois.

A relatively large number of rare waterbirds were reported during fall migration 2021. Rare waterfowl occurring during fall migration 2020 included Black-bellied Whistling-ducks being reported in 4 counties, a Eurasian Wigeon at Newton Lake in Jasper County, and a Harlequin Duck reported at North Pont Marina in Lake County. A Limpkin was reported at Dixon Waterfowl Refuge in Putnam County and was observed by many. Whooping Cranes continue their increasing trend in Illinois during fall migration and were reported in 10 counties. Purple Sandpipers were reported in both Cook and Lake counties. Both Parasitic and Long-tailed Jaegers were reported at

Carlyle Lake in Clinton County. Little Gulls were also reported in both Jefferson and Sangamon counties. Black-legged Kittiwates were reported in both Adams and Cook counties. California Gulls were reported in Lake, Mason, and Rock Island counties. A Royal Tern was reported at Carlyle Lake in Clinton County. Several rare wading birds were reported throughout Illinois in fall 2020 including a Wood Stork at Mermet Lake in Massac County, a Roseate Spoonbill at Crab Orchard NWR, and White Ibis reported in Mason and St. Clair counties. Neotropic Cormorants were reported in 5 counties. White-faced Ibis were reported in Putnam and Will counties.

Several rare southern species were also reported in Illinois during fall migration 2020. The increasing trend of White-winged Doves being reported in Illinois continued with a single individual being reported in Menard County. A Mexican Violet was reported by select birders at a residential feeder in Lake County. A Swallow-tailed Kite was reported in Adams County.

The fall 2021 migration also had several reports of species from western North America. Rufous Hummingbirds were reported in 4 counties (Jefferson, Livingston, McLean, and Union). A Ferruginous Hawk was reported at the Illinois Beach State Park hawkwatch. Prairie Falcons were reported from Coles, Livingston, and McLean counties. A Say's Phoebe was reported in Johnson County. A Townsend's Solitaire was reported in Kendall County.

IRRUPTIVE SPECIES

The annual Winter Finch Forecast predicted that fall/winter 2021 would not be a flight year for many irruptive finch species due to a good cone crop along the southern edge of the boreal forest. Winter finch reports throughout the fall migratory season appeared to mirror this forecast as reports of winter finches were significantly less than that of the winter finch irruption of 2020. In September there were reports of the more common winter finches of Illinois, such as Purple Finch and Pine Siskin, but many of the other winter finches were not reported until later in fall migration. Much of the winter finch reports were limited to the northern portion of the state. However, species such as Purple Finch and Pine Siskin were reported throughout the state. Purple Finch was the only winter finch species to be reported in more counties than the 5-year average (2021: 63 counties, 5-year average: 48 counties). Overall numbers of winter finches tended to be low with max counts generally being in the 20's and 30's for species such as Purple Finch and Pine Siskin. Species such as Evening Grosbeak and Red and White-winged Crossbills were only reported a single time with 1 individual each. The Winter Finch Forecast also reported that there may be a small echo flight of Red-breasted Nuthatches into the region in 2021 and it appears that prediction was also a correct. Red-breasted nuthatches were reported in 80 counties, which is 18 counties greater than the 5-year average for that species.

Fall 2021 was an average year for Snowy Owl reports. Snowy Owls were reported in 6 counties during the fall 2021 migration season which is right at the 5-year average for that

species. Most reports were of a single individual, but a couple locations in Northern Illinois hosted two individuals.

EXOTICS

In fall 2021 European Goldfinch was well reported in areas where they have become established around Waukegan in Lake County. In addition, there were reports of European Goldfinch in DuPage and McHenry counties as well. Monk Parakeets were well reported in areas where they have become established in Cook County. In addition, Monk Parakeets were reported in DuPage and Kane counties as well. A single African Collared-Dove was reported many times near Montrose in Cook County. ■

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CAPE MAY WARBLER. Chicago Women's Park and Gardens, Cook Co. 23 Sep. 2021. Photo by Carl Giometti.

HOW TO READ FIELD NOTES

Field notes for each species are arranged in the following order:

Species

1. Early Arrival Dates
2. High Counts
3. Late Departure Dates

SPECIES

CAPITALIZED AND UNDERLINED: Species requiring documentation and IORC (Illinois Ornithological Records Committee) review. IORC documentation of such records is appropriate and highly appreciated. Documentation forms and the IORC review list can be accessed at:

<http://illinoisbirds.org/iorc.html>

Underlined: Species that are either rare in the state or documentable only in parts of Illinois or in some plumages

Documented species will have a * after the observer name/s. **[pending IORC review]:** Species has been documented, but is still pending review by IORC.

[undocumented]: Species has not been documented, but was provisionally included by the field notes editor.

1. EARLY ARRIVAL DATES

Noted early arrival dates for species not present throughout the entire season are listed as:

[date] (# of birds seen), location (observer name/s).

2. HIGH COUNTS

Noted high counts for the season are listed as:

[# of birds seen] location, date (observer name/s).

At least the top three high counts in the state during the season are usually included, but additional records may or may not represent the next highest counts, and may represent counts that are notable or have regional significance.

3. LATE DEPARTURE DATES

Noted late departure dates for species not present throughout the entire season are listed as:

[date] (# of birds seen), location (observer name/s).

ABBREVIATIONS

Transparent directionals (n.=north(ern), n.e. = north-east(ern), etc.), and including c.= central, are used where applicable along with universally standard abbreviations.

In addition, a list of standard abbreviations used in this report is presented on a subsequent page, along with a list of organization abbreviations, and an alphabetized list of abbreviated location names which can be recognized by their lack of a listed county and no spaces between abbreviated words.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Noteworthy dates, sites of occurrence, remarkably high counts for the state as a whole or for particular regions of the state, and notable comments may be underlined.

Remarks on the historical significance of records aim to be valid for the corpus of data published in H. David Bohlen's 1989 *Birds of Illinois*, the Illinois journals *Illinois Birds and Birding* (summer 1984 – spring 1991), and *Meadowlark* (summer 1991 – present). Noted record maximum counts, when available, are due to the efforts of Geoff Williamson (pers comm) and H. David Bohlen (1989). Data from other sources may have bearing on the validity of these remarks. Species names and sequence correspond to the American Ornithologist's Union Check-List of North American Birds and its supplements.

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This summary of the fall or autumnal season would not be possible without the submission of sightings, field notes, and commentary by observers throughout the state. The observers for individual records in the report are credited by including their name immediately following mention of the record.

Thank you to eBird for allowing access to their database, which furnishes the foundation for many of the sightings reported here. The Illinois State Water Survey and Prairie Research Institute provide significant data regarding the state weather record for the period. The Illinois Ornithological Society's IBET (IL Birders Exchanging Thoughts) listserv provides significant records, some of which cannot be found on eBird. The Illinois Birding Network and Illinois Rare Bird Alert on Facebook and various GroupMe chats feature additional information and many photographs.

Finally, thank you to the photographers who graciously allow us to include their photos in *Meadowlark*.

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SUBMITTING PHOTOS TO MEADOWLARK

Meadowlark is always looking for high quality photos of birds taken during seasons that will be featured in upcoming issues of the publication. For photos of rare species, photographers are encouraged to consult the IORC section of the IOS website for a list of documentable species and submit accordingly (<https://www.illinoisbirds.org/illinois-ornithological-records-committee/>). Records submitted there will both be shared with Meadowlark and also stored for scientific record.

eBird's Macaulay Library is highly utilized by Meadowlark editors to search for photos of species of interest, and photographers are encouraged to post photos there if possible. A photo submission form is also available for photographers upon request to submit specific photos of interest.

If you wish to share a link to your online gallery or eBird photos and give blanket permission for IOS to use your work in Meadowlark, please contact the Meadowlark Chief Editor at publications@illinoisbirds.org. Getting blanket permission from photographers saves the editors considerable time when compiling the magazine, and photos from those sources are often favored.

Photo submissions are preferred in high resolution/full size 100% quality JPEG format. Photos may be post-processed to correct levels, vibrance, make other minor adjustments, or to remove minor spots in photos. Photos should always still reflect the scene as observed in the field. Editors will further adjust levels, vibrance, and sharpening so be careful to not overexpose, oversharpen, or oversaturate photos either via in-camera or post-processing.

All photos submitted to Meadowlark should be taken while following the American Birding Association's Code of Birding Ethics (<https://www.aba.org/aba-code-of-birding-ethics/>). Photos of birds that have been overly harassed by: excessively prolonged presence, excessive audio recording use, ANY amount of intentional flushing for flight shots, ANY baiting, or taken while illegally trespassing, will not be used under any circumstances if such actions are discovered. Special care should be taken with breeding birds and threatened and endangered species. Getting photos ethically not only helps birds and other birders trying to observe them, but also adds a fun and exciting additional challenge and sense of pride to the hobby of bird photography.

SUBMITTING FIELD NOTES

Generally, the most notable dates and counts are always captured from eBird if you submit your data there, but notes from others are also encouraged as well as birders' seasonal weather and species notes, observations of breeding, changes in species ranges, and other highlights.

To manually submit field notes, please visit www.illinoisbirds.org/meadowlark-journal-info/ to locate the current contact information for the field notes editor for that season. Please CC: and also send a copy to the Meadowlark Chief Editor at publications@illinoisbirds.org. Sending field notes via email is highly encouraged, but if you must submit field notes by mail, send to: IOS (Field Notes), P.O. Box 931, Lake Forest, IL 60045.

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For manually submitted field notes, highlighting or including only records that are likely to qualify for inclusion (by comparing to qualified records from a past issue) is optional but extremely helpful for the editor. ■

SUBMISSION DEADLINES

SUMMER (June 1 – July 31)

Field notes due by August 7

FALL (August 1 – November 30)

Field notes due by December 7

WINTER (December 1 – February 28)

Field notes due by March 7

SPRING (March 1 – May 31)

Field notes due by June 7

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LOCATION ABBREVIATIONS

Location abbreviations used in field notes

AllertonPk	= Allerton Park (Piatt Co)	JacksonPk	= Jackson Park and vicinity, Chicago (Cook Co)
AlmondM	= Almond Marsh Forest Preserve (Lake Co)	JakeWolfFH	= Jake Wolf Memorial Fish Hatchery (Mason Co)
AMAX	= Amax Coal Company, Keensburg (Wabash Co)	Jarvis	= Bill Jarvis Migratory BS, LincolnPk (Cook Co)
ArsenalRd	= Arsenal Road (Will Co)	JimEdgarPC	= Jim Edgar Panther Creek SFWA (Cass Co)
BaileyWet	= Bailey Wetland (Richland & Wayne Cos)	JamesPate	= James "Pate" Phillip (Tri-County) SP (DuPage, Kane, Cook Cos)
BaldwinL	= Baldwin Lake (-R:Randolph & -S:St. Clair Cos)	Kankakee	= Kankakee (Kankakee Co)
BannerM	= Banner Marsh (Fulton & Peoria Cos)	KankakeePks	= LeVasseur & Perry Farm Parks (Kankakee Co)
Bartel	= Bartel Grassland (Cook Co)	KankakeeRSP	= Kankakee River SP (Kankakee & Will Cos)
BeallWds	= Beall Woods State Park (Wabash Co)	KaskaskiaI	= Kaskaskia Island (Randolph Co)
Bellrose	= Bellrose Waterfowl Reserve (Pulaski Co)	KennekukCove	= Kennekuk Cove County Park (Vermilion Co)
Bloomington	= Bloomington (McLean Co)	KiddLMarsh	= Kidd Lake Marsh SNA (Monroe Co)
BraidwoodL	= Braidwood Lake (Will Co)	KinkaidL	= Kinkaid Lake (Jackson Co)
BuseyWds	= Busey Woods Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)	Kinnikinnick	= Kinnikinnick Creek CA (Boone Co)
BusseWds	= Busse Woods Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	L&D21	= Quincy Lock & Dam (Adams Co)
CacheRSNA	= Cache River State Natural Area (Johnson Co)	LakeOfWdsFP	= Lake of the Woods FP (Champaign Co)
CalumetPk	= Calumet Park, Chicago (Cook Co)	LaSalleL	= LaSalle Lake SFWA (LaSalle Co)
CalumetWRP	= Calumet Water Reclamation Plant (Cook Co)	LBloomington	= Lake Bloomington (McLean Co)
CapSauers	= Cap Sauers Holdings NP (Cook Co)	LCalumet	= Lake Calumet (Cook Co)
Carbondale	= Carbondale (Jackson Co)	LCharleston	= Lake Charleston (Coles Co)
CarlyleL	= Carlyle Lake (-B:Bond & -C:Clinton & -F:Fayette Cos)	LDecatur	= Lake Decatur (Macon Co)
CarpentersvilleD	= Carpentersville Dam, Fox River Shores FP (Kane Co)	LincolnPk	= Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
ChiBotanicG	= Chicago Botanic Garden (Cook Co)	LMichigan	= Lake Michigan (-C:Cook & -L:Lake Cos)
CentennialTr	= Centennial Trail (DuPage Co)	LMurphysboro	= Lake Murphysboro State Park (Jackson Co)
ChainOLSP	= Chain-O-Lakes State Park (Lake Co)	LostMound	= Lost Mound Unit, Upper Mississippi River NWR (Jo Daviess Co)
Champaign	= Champaign (Champaign Co)	LoudThunder	= Loud Thunder Forest Preserve (Rock Island Co)
Channahon	= Channahon Widewaters, DesPlainesCA (Will Co)	LowdenMiller	= Lowden-Miller State Forest (Ogle Co)
Chautauqua	= Lake Chautauqua NWR (Mason Co)	LowerILRiver	= Lower Illinois River Valley
Chi	= Chicago (Cook Co)	LowerMissRiver	= Lower Mississippi River Valley
ChiBotanicG	= Chicago Botanic Garden (Cook Co)	LRenwick	= Lake Renwick (Will Co)
CIPSL	= C. IL Public Service Cooling L (Jasper Co)	LShelbyville	= Lake Shelbyville (-M:Moultrie & -S:Shelby Cos)
ClintonL	= Clinton Lake (DeWitt Co)	LSpringfield	= Lake Springfield (Sangamon Co)
CrabOrchard	= Crab Orchard NWR (Williamson Co)	LtlRedSchlH	= Little Red Schoolhouse NC, Palos (Cook Co)
CypressCrk	= Cypress Creek NWR (Pulaski Co)	LVermilion	= Lake Vermilion, Danville (Vermilion Co)
DeerGrove	= Deer Grove Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	"magic stump"	= stump in ag. field s.e. of Arcola (Coles Co.)
DesPlainesCA	= Des Plaines Conservation Area (Will Co)	MaxMcGraw	= Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation (Kane Co)
DickYoungNL	= Dick Young/Nelson Lake FP (Kane Co)	Maz/Braidwood	= Mazonia/Braidwood SFWA (Grundy, Will, Kankakee Cos)
DixonWR	= Dixon Waterfowl Refuge (Putnam Co) (formerly HennepinL)	McCunePra	= McCune Sand Prairie NP (Bureau Co)
DoubleT	= Double T SFWA (Fulton Co)	MelvinPrice	= Melvin Price Lock and Dam (Madison Co)
ECapeGir	= East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co)	Meredosia	= Meredosia NWR (Brown/Cass/Morgan Cos)
EForkL	= East Fork Lake, Olney (Richland Co)	MermetL	= Mermet Lake SFWA (Massac Co)
ElPasoSP	= El Paso Sewage Plant (Woodford Co)	MiddleforkSav	= Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
Emiquon	= Emiquon Preserve area (Fulton Co)	Midewin	= Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie (Will Co)
EStLouis	= East St. Louis (St Clair Co)	MidForkSFWA	= Middle Fork SFWA (Vermilion Co)
Fermilab	= Fermilab (-D:DuPage & -K:Kane Cos)	Miller-Anderson	= Miller-Anderson Woods NP (Bureau Co)
FerneClyffe	= Ferne Clyffe State Park (Johnson Co)	MississippiR	= Mississippi River (various Cos)
FunksGrove	= Funk's Grove Preserve lands (McLean Co)	MissPalisades	= Mississippi Palisades State Park (Carroll Co)
Gillson	= Gillson Park, Wilmette (Cook Co)	Moline	= Moline (Rock Island Co)
GlacialPk	= Glacial Park Conservation Area (McHenry Co)	MomenceSod	= H & E Sod Farm, Momence (Kankakee Co)
GLNTC	= Great Lakes Naval Training Center (Lake Co)	MomenceWet	= Momence Wetlands (Kankakee Co)
GooseLPra	= Goose Lake Prairie SNA (Grundy Co)	Montrose	= Montrose Harbor, LincPk, Chi (Cook Co)
GrantPk	= Grant Park, Chicago (Cook Co)	MoraineHills	= Moraine Hills State Park (McHenry Co)
GreeneVal	= Greene Valley Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)	MortonArb	= Morton Arboretum (DuPage Co)
GreenR	= Green River State Wildlife Area (Lee Co)	Mskoda	= Mskoda Sands Preserve (Kankakee Co)
GuzyPra	= Margaret Guzy Pothole Wet NP (Shelby Co)	Nachusa	= Nachusa Grasslands (Lee Co)
HarborsideGC	= Harborside International GC, LCal (Cook Co)	NewtonL	= Newton Lake SFWA (Jasper Co)
HavanaElSub	= Havana Electrical Substation (Mason Co)	NortherlyI	= Northerly I, Burnham Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
HeideckeL	= Heidecke Lake (Grundy Co)	NorthPond	= North Pond, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
HeronPond	= Heron Pond NP, Cache River SNA (Johnson Co)	NPointMarina	= North Point Marina, Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co)
HomerL	= Homer Lake Forest Preserve (Champaign Co)	NygrenWet	= Nygren Wetlands Preserve (Winnebago Co)
HorseshoeLCA	= Horseshoe Lake CA (Alexander Co)	OakwoodBtms	= Oakwood Bottoms, SNF (Jackson Co)
HorseshoeLSP	= Horseshoe Lake State Park (Madison Co)	OFallonWTP	= OFallon WTP (St. Clair Co)
ILBeachSP	= Illinois Beach State Park (Lake Co)	Palos	= Palos area (sw Cook Co)
IroquoisCoCA	= Iroquois County CA (Iroquois Co)	PaulDouglas	= Paul Douglas Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
		PeabodyR	= Peabody River King SFWA (St. Clair Co)
		PeacockM	= marsh at Peacock Engineering (Will Co)
		Pecatonica	= Pecatonica River area (Winnebago Co)
		Pembroke	= Pembroke Township area (Kankakee Co)
		Peoria	= Peoria (Peoria Co)

PereMarquetteSP	= Pere Marquette State Park (Jersey Co)	SpringbrookPra	= Springbrook Prairie FP (DuPage Co)
PineHills	= Pine Hills/LaRue Ecological Area (Union Co)	SpringCreek	= Spring Creek FP
Pomona	= Pomona area (Jackson Co)	Springfield	= Springfield (Sangamon Co)
PrairieRidge	= Prairie Ridge SNA (-J:Jasper & -M:Marion Cos)	SpringL	= Spring Lake (Tazewell Co)
PrattsWayneWds	= Pratt's Wayne Woods FP (DuPage Co)	SpunkyBtms	= TNC/Spunky Bottoms Preserve (Brown Co)
PyramidSP	= Pyramid State Park (Perry Co)	StarvedRock	= Starved Rock State Park (LaSalle Co)
QuadCities	= Quad Cities and vicinity (Rock Island Co)	SteelworkersPk	= 87th St. Steelworkers Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
RendL	= Rend Lake (-F:Franklin & -J:Jefferson Cos)	StumpL	= Stump Lake SFWA (Jersey Co)
RiverBendFP	= River Bend Forest Preserve (Champaign Co)	SugarRFP	= Sugar River Forest Preserve (Winnebago Co)
RockCutSP	= Rock Cut State Park (Winnebago Co)	SwallowCliff	= Swallow Cliff Woods, Palos (Cook Co)
Rockford	= Rockford (Winnebago Co)	ThomsonRA	= Thomson Causeway RA (Carroll Co)
RockRunRookery	= Rock Run Rookery Forest Preserve (Will Co)	TinleyCrkWet	= Tinley Creek Wetlands (s. Cook Co)
RollinsSav	= Rollins Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)	TwoRivers	= Two Rivers NWR (Calhoun Co)
Ryerson	= Ryerson CA (Lake Co)	UnionCoSFWA	= Union County SFWA (Union Co)
SaganashkeeSl	= Saganashkee Slough (Cook Co)	UniversalMine	= Universal/Peabody Strip Mines (Edgar Co)
SaltCrkWds	= Salt Creek Woods Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	UpperILRiver	= Upper Illinois River Valley
SandRidgeSF	= Sand Ridge State Forest (Mason Co)	UpperMissRiver	= Upper Mississippi River Valley
Sang	= Sangamon County	UpperMissRNWR	= Upper Mississippi River NWR (Carroll Co)
Sanganois	= Sanganois SFWA (Cass, Mason, & Schuyler Cos)	Urbana	= Urbana (Champaign Co)
SangchrisL	= Sangchris Lake SP (Christian & Sangamon Cos)	WaterfallGlen	= Waterfall Glen Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
SantaFeBtms	= Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co)	WaukeganB	= Waukegan Beach & Harbor/lakefront (Lake Co)
SauerPraKame	= Sauer Family Prairie Kame FP (Kane Co)	WhalonL	= Whalon Lake Forest Preserve (Will Co)
ShabbonaL	= Shabbona Lake SRA (DeKalb Co)	WolfL	= Wolf Lake/Powers SFWA (Cook Co)
ShawneeNF	= Shawnee National Forest (various Cos)	WoodfordCoCA	= Woodford County CA (Woodford Co.)
SiloamSpr	= Siloam Springs State Park (Adams Co)		
SongbirdSl	= Songbird Slough Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)		

ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTION ABBREVIATIONS

DBC	DuPage Birding Club (field trips)	IORC	Illinois Ornithological Records Committee
FSHW	Fort Sheridan Hawk Watch	IOS	Illinois Ornithological Society (field trips)
GVHW	Greene Valley Hawk Watch	KCA	Kane County Audubon (field trips)
IBHW	Illinois Beach Hawk Watch	USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
INHS	Illinois Natural History Survey	USFWS	United States Fish & Wildlife Service

STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS

EA:	= Early Arrival(s)	pts	= points	FP	= Forest Preserve	Sav	= Savanna
LD:	= Late Departure(s)	resp	= respectively	FS	= Field Station	SF	= State Forest
MC:	= Max/High Count(s)	subad(s)	= subadult(s)	GC	= Golf Course	SFWA	= State Fish & Wildlife /Waterfowl Area
Species Notes Abbreviations:		unk	= unknown age/sex	H	= Harbor	SHA	= State Habitat Area
*	= documented record	vid	= video	HA	= Habitat Area	SHS	= State Historic Site
**	= specimen record	w/	= with	I	= Island	Sl	= Slough
:ph	= photo	yg	= young	L	= Lake	SNA	= State Natural Area
:vid	= video recording	1st	= first winter plumage	L&D	= Lock & Dam	SP	= State Park
:vr	= audio recording	2nd	= second winter plum.	LWR	= Land and Water Reserve	SRA	= State Recreation Area
ad(s)	= adult(s)	3rd	= third winter plumage	M	= Marsh	Tr	= Trail
alt	= alternate plumage (breeding)	Location Abbreviations:		Mem	= Memorial	Twtp	= Township
cop	= copulating	Arb	= Arboretum	MM	= Mile Marker	Univ	= University
et al.	= and others	Arpt	= Airport	MWRP	= Metro. Wastewater Reclamation Plant	Wds	= Woods
f	= female	B	= Beach	NA	= Natural Area	Wet	= Wetland
fldg(s)	= fledgling(s)	BBS	= USGS Breeding Bird Survey (Route)	NC	= Nature Center	WMA	= Wildlife Management Area
imm	= immature	Bldg	= Building	NHL	= National Historic Landmark	WS	= Wildlife Sanctuary
incl	= including	BS	= Bird Sanctuary	NP	= Nature Preserve	WTP	= Wastewater Treatment Plant (Ponds)
juv(s)	= juvenile(s)	CA	= Conservation Area	NWR	= Nat'l Wildlife Refuge		
lg	= large	CBC	= Audubon Christmas Bird Count	OSL	= Open Space Lands		
m	= male	CC	= Community College	Pk	= Park		
mat.	= material	Cem	= Cemetery	Pra	= Prairie		
m.ob.	= many observers	Co(s)	= County(ies)	Pr	= Preserve		
ph	= photo(s)	CP	= County Park	R	= River		
plum	= plumage	Crk	= Creek	RA	= Recreation Area		
pr(s)	= pair(s)	EA	= Ecological Area	Rd	= Road		
prop	= property						

FALL 2021 FIELD NOTES

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck

[13] Buncombe (Union Co), 28 Aug. (James Jarosz).
 [1] Annawan (Henry Co), 29 Aug. (Justin Reed, m.ob.).
 [1] Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 25 Sep. (Don Mullison).
 [1] Trivoli (Peoria Co), 4 Aug. (Maury Brucker, Pete Fenner).
 Reported in 4 counties (N:1, C:1, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 2.2 cos.

Snow Goose

[14 Sep.] (1) Nachusa (Jeff Kane Witzig).
 [21 Sep.] (1) ILBeachSP (Janet Lyons).
 [5,000] TwoRivers, 4 Nov. (Brent Schindewolf).
 [800] Emiquon, 23 Nov. (Justin Reed).
 Through sum.: 5 Cos. Reports: 49 Cos (N:17, C:17, S:15). 5 yr. avg. = 45.2 cos.

Ross's Goose

[15 Oct.] (1) PeacockM (Greg DuBois).
 [20 Oct.] (1) DixonWR (Maury Brucker, Wesley Sadler).
 [4] Willow L (Monroe Co), 21 Nov. (Mariam Afzal, Paul R).
 [3] At three locations.
 Reported in 15 counties (N:4, C:7, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 19.6 cos.

Greater White-fronted Goose

[9 Sep.] (1) Sangchris (Nancy Ball).
 [2 Oct.] (9) L&D 18 (Stollery & Flood).
 [5 Oct.] (6) Mastodon L (Kane Co) (Vernon LaVia).
 [8,000] UniversalMine, 18 Nov. (Steven Lima).
 [4,000] Emiquon, 23 Nov. (Justin Reed).
 Reported in 53 counties (N:16, C:19, S:18). 5 yr. avg. = 53.4 cos.

Cackling Goose

[20 Sep.] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (Woody Goss).
 [21 Sep.] At three northern IL locations.
 [750] Lyle Kunde RA (Ogle Co), 20 Nov. (Colin Dobson).
 [150] Rochelle Del Monte Ponds (Ogle Co), 15 Oct. (Jason Newton).
 [120] DickYoungNL, 20 Oct. (unknown).
 Reported in 35 counties (N:19, C:10, S:6). 5 yr. avg. = 28.8 cos.

Canada Goose

[4,000] PereMarquetteSP, 27 Nov. (Jim Vanderpoel).
 [3,550] Lake Villa (Lake Co), 22 Sep. (Richard Biss).
 [3,500] Washington Pk (Cook Co), 22 Nov. (Ryan Fuller).
 Reported in 101 counties (N:23, C:40, S:38). 5 yr. avg. = 97.6 cos.

Mute Swan

[226] BannerM, 6 Oct. (Lou Herrin).
 [87] SpringL, 29 Aug. (Bert Foquet).
 [60] Emiquon, 20 Aug. (Keith McMullen).
 [58] DixonWR, 6 Nov. (Douglas Stotz).
 Reported in 24 counties (N:13, C:8, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 26.6 cos.

Trumpeter Swan

[102] Scott Co, 24 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Vicky Tucker, Gordon Tucker).
 [71] Adams Co, 23 Nov. (Phil Reyburn).
 [35] Emiquon, 29 Nov. (Bill Davidson).
 Reported in 41 counties (N:16, C:16, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 33.4 cos.

Tundra Swan

[17 Oct.] (3) DixonWR (m.ob.).
 [31 Oct.] At two northern IL locations.
 [450] UpperMissRNWR, 21 Nov. (Colin Dobson).
 [72] GooseLPra, 24 Nov. (Matt Misewicz).
 [57] UniversalMine, 18 Nov. (Steven Lima).
 Reported in 28 counties (N:16, C:10, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 22.8 cos.

Wood Duck

[300] SpringL, 10 Oct. (Bert Foquet).
 [250] DixonWR, 20 Aug. (Travis Mahan).
 [220] McGinnis Sl (Cook Co), 9 Oct. (Isoo O'Brien, Simon Tolzmann).
 Reported in 90 counties (N:23, C:36, S:31). 5 yr. avg. = 84.2 cos.

Blue-winged Teal

[1,600] TwoRivers, 14 Aug. (Dan Kassebaum).
 [1,500] Chautauqua, 26 Sep. (m.ob.).
 [800] L Senachwine (Putnam Co), 25 Sep. (Scott Harp).
 [16 Nov.] (1) Heartland CC (McLean Co) (unknown).
 [23 Nov.] (1) Lippold Pk (McHenry Co) (Michael Wisinski).
 Reported in 72 counties (N:22, C:29, S:21). 5 yr. avg. = 65.0 cos.

Northern Shoveler

[5 Aug.] (13) GooseLPra (Matt Misewicz).
 [13 Aug.] (1) LincolnPk (Matthew Igleski).
 [13 Aug.] (2) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
 [2,300] CrabOrchard, 8 Nov. (Don Mullison, Judy Groskind).
 [1,000] Chautauqua, 1 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
 [400] Marshall SFWA (Marshall Co), 1 Oct. (Steve Huggins).
 Reported in 69 counties (N:20, C:29, S:20). 5 yr. avg. = 60.6 cos.

Gadwall

[3 Aug.] (2) DixonWR (Bob Fisher).
 [20 Aug.] (14) CrabOrchard (Katy Banning, Kimberly Rohling).
 [21 Aug.] (1) Helmick NP (Cook Co) (Laurel Ross).
 [11,000] CrabOrchard, 8 Nov. (Don Mullison, Judy Groskind).
 [3,000] Chautauqua, 1 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
 [1,300] DixonWR, 30 Nov. (Scott Harp).
 Through summer at RollinsSav. 68 cos (N:22, C:26, S:20). 5 yr. avg. = 62.8 cos.

EURASIAN WIGEON

[1] NewtonL, 18 Nov. (Robert Shelby).

American Wigeon

[23 Aug.] (2) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
 [5 Sep.] (1) Washington Pk, Chi (Joy Wang, Xiaoni Xu).
 [6 Sep.] (2) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
 [225] Emiquon, 1 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
 [200] ThomsonRA, 29 Sep. (Kelly McKay).
 [150] CrabOrchard, 25 Oct. (Don Mullison, Judy Groskind).
 Reported in 54 counties (N:19, C:21, S:14). 5 yr. avg. = 40.8 cos.

Mallard

[6,000] Carlyle-C, 21 Nov. (Dan Kassebaum).
 [3,000] DixonWR, 20 Nov. (Scott Harp).
 [2,200] BraidwoodL, 28 Nov. (Jed Hertz).
 Reported in 92 counties (N:24, C:36, S:32). 5 yr. avg. = 84.2 cos.

American Black Duck

[6 Aug.] (7) Constitution Trail (McLean Co) (Don Bolton).
 [7 Aug.] (1) BannerM (Lou Herrin).
 [9 Aug.] (2) Petersburg (Menard Co) (Michael Morin).
 [75] GooseLPra, 22 Oct. (Ted Wolff).
 [36] GlacialPk, 16 Nov. (Lisa Maier).
 [10] Burning Star Mine (Jackson Co), 5 Nov. (Mike Heine).
 [10] Guzy Pra Pothole Wet (Shelby Co), 2 Nov. (Cathy Cox).
 Reported in 48 counties (N:20, C:19, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 32.2 cos.

Northern Pintail

[14 Aug.] (3) TwoRivers (Beau Schaefer).
 [16 Aug.] (2) LincolnPk (Larry Dutton).
 [20 Aug.] (1) DixonWR (Jeff Skrentny, Larry Skillethead Krutulis).
 [8,000] Emiquon, 7 Nov. (Bode Thompson).
 [6,000] CarlyleL-C, 14 Nov. (Dan Kassebaum).
 [2,000] DixonWR, 18 Nov. (Colin Dobson).
 [1,500] Billsbach L (Marshall Co), 1 Oct. (Steve Huggins).
 Reported in 61 counties (N:20, C:24, S:17). 5 yr. avg. = 46.2 cos.

Green-winged Teal

[2 Aug.] (6) Marshall SFWA (Marshall Co) (Maury Brucker).
 [6 Aug.] (6) Chautauqua (Colin Dobson).
 [11 Aug.] (5) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
 [5,000] Chautauqua, 1 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
 [2,500] CrabOrchard, 1 Nov. (Don Mullison, Judy Groskind).
 [900] L Senachwine (Putnam Co), 1 Oct. (Steve Huggins).
 Reported in 67 counties (N:22, C:27, S:18). 5 yr. avg. = 55.4 cos.

Canvasback

[**15 Aug.**] (1) Powerton L (Tazewell Co) (Bert Foquet).
[**15 Sep.**] (1) Blanding Landing (Jo Daviess Co) (Ted Hartzler).
[**1,750**] L&D 13, *21 Nov.* (Colin Dobson).
Reported in 30 counties (N:14, C:11, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 33.6 cos.

Redhead

[**15 Aug.**] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (Woody Goss).
[**21 Aug.**] (2) Chautauqua (m.ob.).
[**928**] HarborsideGC, *18 Nov.* (Walter Marcisz).
[**230**] Johns Manville Ponds (Lake Co), *20 Oct.* (unknown).
Reported in 32 counties (N:14, C:12, S:6). 5 yr. avg. = 34.8 cos.

Ring-necked Duck

[**22 Aug.**] (1) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
[**18 Sep.**] (7) DixonWR (Scott Harp).
[**25 Sep.**] (1) LCalumet (m.ob.).
[**5,000**] CrabOrchard, *1 Nov.* (Don Mullison, Judy Groskind).
[**2,500**] Emiquon, *21 Nov.* (Peter Kondrashov).
Reported in 56 counties (N:20, C:20, S:16). 5 yr. avg. = 53.0 cos.

Greater Scaup

[**25 Sep.**] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (Steve Huggins).
[**130**] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), *20 Nov.* (Jing-Yi Lu, Xiaoni Xu, Lu Wei).
Reported in 12 counties (N:6, C:4, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 14.8 cos.

Lesser Scaup

[**18 Sep.**] (3) DixonWR (Scott Harp).
[**25 Sep.**] (1) CarlyleL-C (Colin Dobson, Keith Bowers).
[**2,500**] Emiquon, *19 Nov.* (Peter Kondrashov).
[**1,200**] CarlyleL-C, *21 Nov.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[**1,000**] L&D 13, *21 Nov.* (Colin Dobson).
Reported in 53 counties (N:20, C:20, S:13). 5 yr. avg. = 47.4 cos.

Harlequin Duck

[1] NPointMarina, *13 Nov.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 1 county (N:1, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.0 cos.

Surf Scoter

[**11 Oct.**] (1) NPointMarina (Gustavo Ustariz).
[**16 Oct.**] (1) LCharleston (Ron Bradley).
[**17 Oct.**] (1) ILBeachSP (Andrew Stewart).
[**11**] NPointMarina, *24 Oct.* (Al Stokie, Andrew Stewart, Beau Schaefer).
Reported in 11 counties (N:4, C:5, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 13.0 cos.

White-winged Scoter

[**2 Oct.**] (1) Baumann Pk (Winnebago Co) (Tyler Hedlund).
[**16 Oct.**] (1) Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (Richard Hugel).
[**20 Oct.**] (1) Waukegan (Lake Co) (unknown).
[**11**] Gillson, *9 Nov.* (Woody Goss).
[**11**] ILBeachSP, *27 Nov.* (Ryan Jones).
Reported in 6 counties (N:3, C:1, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 9.2 cos.

Black Scoter

[**22 Oct.**] (4) Moline (Rock Island Co) (Michael McKinley).
[**24 Oct.**] (2) Gillson (David Assmann).
[**24 Oct.**] (1) NPointMarina (Al Stokie, Andrew Stewart, Beau Schaefer).
[**11**] Gillson, *9 Nov.* (Woody Goss).
[**10**] Rainbow B, Chi, *21 Nov.* (Steve Huggins).
Reported in 5 counties (N:3, C:1, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 8.4 cos.

Long-tailed Duck

[**5 Oct.**] (1) Pk 566 (Woody Goss).
[**20**] Montrose, *22 Oct.* (Kevin Lin).
[**6**] ILBeachSP, *27 Nov.* (Ryan Jones).
Reported in 3 counties (N:3, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 5.2 cos.

Bufflehead

[**17 Oct.**] (2) DixonWR (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).
[**17 Oct.**] (1) Trumpet Rd M (Lake Co) (Richard Hugel).
[**22 Oct.**] (1) GlacialPk (Randy Schietzelt).
[**295**] L Linden (Lake Co), *20 Nov.* (Richard Hugel).
[**240**] CarlyleWTP, *20 Nov.* (Mark Seiffert).
[**200**] Niota (Hancock Co), *22 Nov.* (Colin Dobson).
Reported in 55 counties (N:23, C:19, S:13). 5 yr. avg. = 45.8 cos.

Common Goldeneye

[**26 Oct.**] (3) Gillson (Woody Goss).
[**26 Oct.**] (1) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
[**300**] Niota (Hancock Co), *22 Nov.* (Colin Dobson).
[**160**] L Peoria (Tazewell Co), *22 Nov.* (Bert Foquet).
[**140**] Detweiller Riverside (Peoria Co), *26 Nov.* (Maury Brucker).
Reported in 31 counties (N:14, C:10, S:7). 5 yr. avg. = 37.0 cos.

Hooded Merganser

[**350**] ClintonL, *26 Nov.* (Paula Aschim, Tim Garvey).
[**200**] Winnetka (Cook Co), *18 Nov.* (Jane Irwin).
[**131**] Newton Power Station (Jasper Co), *21 Nov.* (Steven Lima).
Reported in 57 counties (N:20, C:21, S:16). 5 yr. avg. = 50.4 cos.

Common Merganser

[**25 Aug.**] (1) Powerton L (Tazewell Co) (Bert Foquet).
[**30 Aug.**] (1) Riverside (Cook Co) (Valerie Jisa).
[**26 Oct.**] (1) WaukeganB (William McClellan).
[**100**] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), *27 Nov.* (Lawrence Caputo).
[**28**] NortherlyI, *29 Nov.* (Brooke Wetmore).
[**26**] SaganashkeeSl, *26 Nov.* (Greg J).
Reported in 18 counties (N:11, C:7, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 17.4 cos.

Red-breasted Merganser

[**20 Aug.**] (1) Techny Basin (Cook Co) (Peter Walton).
[**22 Sep.**] (2) Gillson (Josh Engel, Matthew Cvetas).
[**3,000**] Gillson, *22 Nov.* (Josh Engel).
[**2,200**] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), *27 Nov.* (Karen, Miles, Owen Woodhouse).
[**1,800**] Garden Pk (Cook Co), *14 Nov.* (Owen Woodhouse).
Reported in 28 counties (N:15, C:9, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 25.2 cos.

Ruddy Duck

[**5,000**] Niota (Hancock Co), *22 Nov.* (Colin Dobson).
[**3,500**] Chautauqua, *1 Nov.* (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
[**3,000**] Hamilton (Hancock Co), *22 Nov.* (Colin Dobson).
[**1,500**] DixonWR, *17 Oct.* (Steve Huggins).
Reported in 65 counties (N:22, C:26, S:17). 5 yr. avg. = 61.4 cos.

Northern Bobwhite

[**25**] Casey (Coles Co), *9 Sep.* (Ruth Riegel).
[**14**] Lewistown (Fulton Co), *4 Aug.* (Lars Jones).
[**12**] Severson Dells NP (Winnebago Co), *3 Nov.* (Ellen Rathbone).
Reported in 45 counties (N:8, C:17, S:20). 5 yr. avg. = 45.4 cos.

Wild Turkey

[**37**] CrabOrchard, *20 Aug.* (Tina Pryor).
[**27**] Glenwood Wds FP (Cook Co), *23 Oct.* (Alex Haza).
[**26**] Gremel WS (Lee Co), *16 Oct.* (D Brewer).
Reported in 65 counties (N:23, C:17, S:25). 5 yr. avg. = 62.0 cos.

Ring-necked Pheasant

[**13**] Brown Rd Wet (Menard Co), *23 Oct.* (Jim Herkert).
[**12**] Loda (Iroquois Co), *1 Oct.* (Robin Coady).
[**8**] Saybrook HA (McLean Co), *9 Oct.* (Pirmin Nietlisbach).
Reported in 41 counties (N:18, C:20, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 34.8 cos.

Greater Prairie-Chicken

No reports. 5 yr. avg. = 1.8 cos.

Pied-billed Grebe

[**150**] East Peoria (Tazewell Co), *22 Oct.* (Bert Foquet).
[**150**] Orland Grove FP (Cook Co), *31 Oct.* (Marcelina Wawrzyniak).
[**105**] DixonWR, *17 Oct.* (Steve Huggins).
Reported in 84 counties (N:23, C:33, S:28). 5 yr. avg. = 78.4 cos.

Horned Grebe

[**22 Sep.**] (2) SteelworkersPk (Jacob Drucker, Woody Goss).
[**23 Sep.**] (1) Aledo (Mercer Co) (Bill A. Bertrand).
[**60**] CarlyleL-C, *21 Nov.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[**48**] HorseshoeLSP, *10 Nov.* (Frank Holmes).
[**41**] NW Univ (Cook Co), *6 Nov.* (Josh Engel).
[**32**] Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), *20 Nov.* (Bert Foquet).
Reported in 31 counties (N:10, C:13, S:8). 5 yr. avg. = 30.0 cos.

Red-necked Grebe

[1] Gillson, 9 Nov. (Woody Goss). Reports: 1 Co. 5 yr. avg. = 6.2 cos.

Eared Grebe

[1 **1 Sep.**] (1) Princeton (Bureau Co) (Justin Reed, Scott Harp).

[2 **2 Sep.**] (1) BraidwoodL (Pat Andersen, Susan Zelek).

[8 **8 Sep.**] (2) LCharleston (Ron Bradley).

[3] Chautauqua, 1 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).

[2] LCharleston, 8 Sep. (Ron Bradley).

[27 **Nov.**] (1) GrantPk (Jacob Drucker).

Reported in 7 counties (N:3, C:2, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 4.8 cos.

Rock Pigeon

[445] Glenview (Cook Co), 28 Nov. (Douglas Stotz).

[308] Chi, 29 Aug. (David Antieau).

[300] Gurnee (Lake Co), 27 Nov. (John Leonard).

Reported in 96 counties (N:24, C:38, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 86.2 cos.

Eurasian Collared-Dove

[25] Granite City (Madison Co), 11 Aug. (Ari & Rebecca Rice).

[18] Jerseyville (Jersey Co), 26 Sep. (Ted Wolff).

[18] Lovington (Moultrie Co), 31 Oct. (Scott Robinson).

Reported in 83 counties (N:22, C:33, S:28). 5 yr. avg. = 71.0 cos.

White-winged Dove

[1] Menard Co, 14 Aug. (Jim Herkert). Reports: 1 Co. 5 yr. avg. = 1.4 cos.

Mourning Dove

[436] ChainOLSP, 16 Sep. (Richard Hugel).

[400] CarlyleL-C, 9 Aug. (Dan Kassebaum).

[214] GlacialPk, 8 Nov. (Richard Hugel).

Reported in 101 counties (N:24, C:40, S:37). 5 yr. avg. = 101.2 cos.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo

[6] Karnak (Pulaski Co), 1 Aug. (Kat Hentsch).

[6] HeronPond, 18 Aug. (Craig Wilson).

[6] TwoRivers, 15 Aug. (Keith McMullen).

[23 **Oct.**] (1) Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (Edmund McDevitt, Lisa Rest).

[13 **Nov.**] (1) ILBeachSP (Diane Hansen, Nancy Tikalsky).

Reported in 89 counties (N:21, C:37, S:31). 5 yr. avg. = 78.2 cos.

Black-billed Cuckoo

[3] DixonWR, 3 Aug. (Bob Fisher).

[3] Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co), 28 Aug. (Roger Hayes).

[27 **Sep.**] (1) ILBeachSP (Andrew Stewart).

[2 **Oct.**] (1) LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co) (m.ob.).

[4 **Oct.**] (1) GlacialPk (Randy Schietzelt).

Reported in 24 counties (N:13, C:7, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 26.0 cos.

Common Nighthawk

[475] Hawthorn Wds (Lake Co), 9 Sep. (Stephen Hurst).

[409] Lake Villa (Lake Co), 28 Aug. (Richard Biss).

[320] Evanston (Cook Co), 29 Aug. (T I).

[14 **Oct.**] (1) Kankakee (Jed Hertz).

[15 **Oct.**] (1) Chi (Benjamin Antieau, Naomi Twigg).

Reported in 68 counties (N:21, C:29, S:18). 5 yr. avg. = 62.0 cos.

Chuck-will's-widow

No reports. 5 yr. avg. = 0.8 cos.

Eastern Whip-poor-will

[7] Big River SF (Henderson Co), 9 Sep. (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts).

[3] Saline Co, 10 Sep. (Cathy DeNeal).

[3] Shawnee NF (Saline Co), 3 Sep. (Cathy DeNeal).

[3 **Oct.**] (1) Bachelor Grove Wds (Cook Co) (Ian Sarmiento).

[23 **Oct.**] (1) Pine Ridge Scout Res. (Williamson Co) (Travis DeNeal).

Reported in 10 counties (N:4, C:1, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 8.4 cos.

Chimney Swift

[3,000] Geneva (Kane Co), 14 Sep. (Marion Miller).

[2,820] West Dundee (Kane Co), 11 Sep. (Marion Miller).

[2,250] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 10 Sep. (Pieter Bonin).

[23 **Oct.**] Late date at four locations.

[24 **Oct.**] (3) Elmhurst (DuPage Co) (Henry Meade).

Reported in 86 counties (N:23, C:35, S:28). 5 yr. avg. = 83.0 cos.

MEXICAN VIOLETEAR

[1] Loch Lomond (Lake Co), 20-24 Aug. (Jason & Jeanna Cristino*, m.ob.*).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

[131] Milles Fleurs NP (Monroe Co), 25 Aug. (Carl & Pen Daubach).

[85] Pomona, 14 Aug. (Rhonda Rothrock).

[40] Heiland FP (Kankakee Co), 11 Sep. (Mark Messerle).

[31 **Oct.**] (1) CarlyleL-C (Roger Hayes).

[18 **Nov.**] (1) Antioch (Lake Co) (Cheryl Van Duyse).

Reported in 96 counties (N:24, C:39, S:33). 5 yr. avg. = 82.8 cos.

Rufous Hummingbird

[1] Anna (Union Co), 28 Aug. (Mark Vukovich, m.ob.).

[1] Jefferson Co, 24 Nov. (Shelby Robert).

[1] Le Roy (McLean Co), 24 Nov. (Benjamin Murphy).

[1] Pontiac (Livingston Co), 18 Nov. (m.ob.).

Reported in 4 counties (N:0, C:2, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 1.2 cos.

Virginia Rail

[5] Orland Pk (Cook Co), 1 Aug. (m.ob.).

[3] Emiquon, 5 Oct. (Andy Gilbert).

[3] LCalumet, 3 Sep. (Frank Geilen).

[13 **Nov.**] (1) Pk 566 (Dan Lory, Kelly Ballantyne).

[27 **Nov.**] (1) SpringbrookPra (Glenn Perricone).

Reported in 16 counties (N:9, C:6, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 15.0 cos.

Sora

[87] ECapeGir, 21 Oct. (Ted Hartzler).

[86] ShawneeNF (Alexander Co), 21 Oct. (Craig Taylor).

[20] LCalumet, 25 Sep. (m.ob.).

[27 **Oct.**] (1) LCalumet (Woody Goss).

[28 **Oct.**] (1) Flora (Clay Co) (Chace Scholten).

[29 **Oct.**] (1) Champaign (Christopher Hensel).

[17 **Nov.**] (1) Bailey Wet (Wayne Co) (Shelby Robert).

Reported in 45 counties (N:19, C:14, S:12). 5 yr. avg. = 27.8 cos.

Common Gallinule

[24] HorseshoeLSP, 29 Aug. (Frank Holmes).

[15] DickYoungNL, 17 Sep. (Greg J).

[14] LCalumet, 14 Aug. (Walter Marcisz).

[16 **Oct.**] (1) Orland Pk (Cook Co) (Ian Sarmiento).

[23 **Oct.**] (2) DixonWR (Scott Harp).

[21 **Nov.**] (1) HorseshoeLSP (Frank Holmes).

Reported in 14 counties (N:8, C:3, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 12.6 cos.

American Coot

[11,678] ThomsonRA, 29 Sep. (Kelly McKay).

[6,220] DixonWR, 6 Nov. (Douglas Stotz).

[3,000] CrabOrchard, 1 Nov. (Judy Groskind).

Reported in 57 counties (N:20, C:22, S:15). 5 yr. avg. = 59.6 cos.

Yellow Rail

[1] Emiquon, 5 Oct. (Andy Gilbert).

[1] Rainbow B, Chi, 5 Sep. (Woody Goss, Lucas Wilson, Ian Sarmiento).

Reported in 2 counties (N:1, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 2.2 cos.

LIMPKIN

[1] DixonWR, 16-28 Aug. (Scott Harp*, m.ob.*). 5 yr. avg. = 0.2 cos.

Sandhill Crane

[20,350] LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 22 Nov. (Scott Judd).

[13,250] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 22 Nov. (T I).

[9,150] GreeneVal, 22 Nov. (J.A. Smith).

Reported in 32 counties (N:23, C:5, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 29.2 cos.

Whooping Crane

[12 **Sep.**] (2) Hampshire (Kane Co) (Max Rotenberry).

[19 **Sep.**] (2) Channahon (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).

[4 **Oct.**] (2) Lone Point Shelter (LaSalle Co) (Justin Reed).

[4] GreeneVal, 19 Nov. (J.A. Smith).

[4] Lake Co, 18 Nov. (m.ob.).

[4] Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co), 20 Nov. (Mark Messerle).

Reported in 10 counties (N:6, C:2, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 8.2 cos.

Black-necked Stilt

[75] Emiquon, *28 Aug.* (Dan Williams).
[15] ECapeGir, *8 Aug.* (Leon Book, Tina Pryor).
[6 *Sep.*] (1) Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co) (Mary Zehner).
[8 *Sep.*] (1) CrabOrchard (Aaron Gyllenhaal).
[17 *Sep.*] (1) Emiquon (Don & Ted Hartzler).
Reported in 11 counties (N:4, C:3, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 13.0 cos.

American Avocet

[26 *Jun.*] (2) Emiquon (Angelo Capparella, Benjamin Murphy).
[13 *Jul.*] (1) Montrose (Marion & Richard Miller).
[8] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (Chip K).
[8] CrabOrchard, *31 Aug.* (Brendon Lake).
[13 *Oct.*] (1) Montrose (m.ob.).
[16 *Oct.*] (1) Steel Dam (Rock Island Co) (Steven Freed).
[16 *Nov.*] (1) CrabOrchard (Tina Pryor).
Reported in 16 counties (N:6, C:8, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 17.6 cos.

Black-bellied Plover

[10 *Aug.*] (1) Ellsworth (McLean Co) (Bode Thompson).
[19] L Senachwine (Putnam Co), *1 Oct.* (Steve Huggins).
[14] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (Tony Ward).
[14] Marshall State FWA (Marshall Co), *1 Oct.* (Steve Huggins).
[20 *Oct.*] (1) Rock Falls(Whiteside Co) (John Sullivan).
[20 *Oct.*] (1) Lone Point Shelter (LaSalle Co) (Eric Walters).
[23 *Oct.*] (1) Montrose (Tahniya Davis).
Reported in 25 counties (N:10, C:9, S:6). 5 yr. avg. = 19.6 cos.

American Golden-Plover

[7 *Jul.*] (1) Edgar Co (Steven Lima).
[31 *Jul.*] (1) South Roxana (Madison Co) (Andrew From).
[60] Chautauqua, *26 Sep.* (m.ob.).
[18] ElPasoSP, *1 Oct.* (Mary & Steve Zehner).
[16] Kunde Sod Farm (McHenry Co), *14 Sep.* (Lisa Maier).
[8 *Nov.*] (1) NygrenWet (Dan Williams).
[12 *Nov.*] (1) Pot Hole Ln (Gallatin Co) (Josh Engel).
Reported in 28 counties (N:17, C:8, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 24.4 cos.

Semipalmated Plover

[8 *Jul.*] (1) Hogchute Bridge Wet (Piatt Co) (Evan Smith).
[9 *Jul.*] (1) WaukeganB (Adam Sell, William McClellan).
[150] TwoRivers, *12 Aug.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[50] Emiquon, *7 Aug.* (Keith McMullen).
[40] Meredosias, *10 Sep.* (Nathan Goldberg).
[16 *Oct.*] (1) CarlyleL-B (Mark Seiffert).
[19 *Oct.*] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (Woody Goss).
Reported in 50 counties (N:16, C:19, S:15). 5 yr. avg. = 39.0 cos.

Piping Plover

[13 *Jul.*] (7) Montrose (Ann Gunkel, Lin Johnston).
[7] Montrose, *13 Jul.* (Ann Gunkel, Lin Johnston).
[24 *Aug.*] (1) WaukeganB (Annette McClellan).
[4 *Sep.*] (1) LaSalleL (Eric Walters).
Reported in 4 counties (N:3, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 2.0 cos.

Killdeer

[1200] TwoRivers, *14 Aug.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[650] Rt 52 Fluddle (Kendall Co), *6 Aug.* (Jude Vickery, Ryan Jones).
Reported in 99 counties (N:24, C:39, S:36). 5 yr. avg. = 98.0 cos.

Upland Sandpiper

[7] Gridley (McLean Co), *18 Jul.* (Angelo Capparella, Benjamin Murphy).
[5] Manteno (Kankakee Co), *16 Jul.* (Susan Zelek).
[30 *Aug.*] (1) Cullom (Livingston Co) (Ted Hartzler).
[30 *Aug.*] (1) PeacockM (Carolyn G.).
Reported in 13 counties (N:6, C:7, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 11.2 cos.

Whimbrel

[17 *Jul.*] (1) GreeneVal (Paul Clifford).
[1] GreeneVal, *17 Jul.* (Paul Clifford).
[1] ILBeachSP, *21 Oct.* (Peter Weber).
[1] Montrose, *22 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[21 *Oct.*] (1) ILBeachSP (Peter Weber).
Reported in 2 counties (N:2, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 3.0 cos.

Hudsonian Godwit

[12 *Aug.*] (1) Emiquon (Monica N, Tracy Pham).
[31 *Aug.*] (2) LaSalleL (Stan Zatarski, Bob Fisher).
[19] Chi, *14 Sep.* (Scott Judd).
[10] Rochelle (Ogle Co), *10 Oct.* (m.ob.).
[3] Rainbow B, Chi, *19 Sep.* (Peter & Simon Tolzmann, Henry Meade).
[7 *Oct.*] (1) James O. Breen Pk (Kane Co) (Timothy Balassie, K Plummer).
[7 *Oct.*] (2) LCalumet (Corey Wagner).
[20 *Oct.*] (3) Rochelle Del Monte Ponds (Ogle Co) (Demetri Lafkas).
Reported in 7 counties (N:5, C:2, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 2.0 cos.

Marbled Godwit

[16 *Jul.*] (1) Chandlerville(Mason Co) (Colin Dobson).
[1] Chandlerville (Mason Co), *16 Jul.* (Colin Dobson).
[1] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[1] Meredosias, *10 Sep.* (Nathan Goldberg).
[1] Montrose, *10 Jun.* (Robert Hughes, T I).
[9 *Sep.*] (1) Worley L (Tazewell Co) (Bert Foquet).
[10 *Sep.*] (1) Meredosias (Nathan Goldberg).
Reported in 3 counties (N:0, C:3, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 4.2 cos.

Ruddy Turnstone

[25 *Jul.*] (1) Emiquon (Colin Dobson).
[6 *Aug.*] (4) Montrose (Aaron Gyllenhaal, Matthew Dolkart).
[13] Montrose, *11 Aug.* (Woody Goss).
[11] Rt 52 Fluddle (Kendall Co), *6 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[19 *Sep.*] (1) SteelworkersPk (m.ob.).
[3 *Oct.*] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (m.ob.).
Reported in 10 counties (N:5, C:3, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 8.2 cos.

Red Knot

[22 *Aug.*] (2) CrabOrchard (m.ob.).
[28 *Aug.*] (2) Billsbach L (Marshall Co) (Ted Hartzler).
[28 *Aug.*] (1) Emiquon (m.ob.).
[5] Emiquon, *30 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[2] Billsbach L (Marshall Co), *29 Aug.* (Dustin Holschuh, Ted Hartzler).
[2] CrabOrchard, *22 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[30 *Aug.*] (5) Emiquon (m.ob.).
[6 *Sep.*] (1) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
[12 *Sep.*] (1) N Whitley Potholes (Moultrie Co) (Travis Mahan).
Reported in 5 counties (N:2, C:2, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 3.0 cos.

Stilt Sandpiper

[8 *Jul.*] (1) Gridley (McLean Co) (m.ob.).
[13 *Jul.*] (1) Annawan (Henry Co) (Scott Harp).
[15 *Jul.*] (1) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
[325] Emiquon, *19 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[80] CrabOrchard, *31 Aug.* (Brendon Lake).
[65] Chautauqua, *26 Sep.* (m.ob.).
[21 *Oct.*] (1) L Arispie (Bureau Co) (Scott Harp).
[22 *Oct.*] (1) Channahon (Jim Lukancic).
Reported in 44 counties (N:15, C:18, S:11). 5 yr. avg. = 35.8 cos.

Sanderling

[4 *Jul.*] (1) Montrose (m.ob.).
[14 *Jul.*] (2) ILBeachSP (Giuseppe & Jenny Cesolini).
[15 *Jul.*] (4) NPointMarina (Eric Walters).
[53] ILBeachSP, *18 Sep.* (Luke Buckardt).
[50] Montrose, *18 Sep.* (Kevin Lin).
[32] WaukeganB, *3 Sep.* (Tom Scheidt).
[9 *Nov.*] (1) Gillson (Woody Goss).
[19 *Nov.*] (1) WaukeganB (Philip Vogrinc).
Reported in 21 counties (N:7, C:9, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 13.8 cos.

Dunlin

[7 *Jul.*] (1) Montrose (T I).
[14 *Aug.*] (2) Emiquon (William & Gayla Hickerson).
[31 *Aug.*] (1) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
[105] Hosah Pk (Lake Co), *11 Nov.* (Eric Walters).
[79] NPointMarina, *11 Nov.* (Gustavo Ustariz).
[72] ILBeachSP, *11 Nov.* (Eric Walters).
[20 *Nov.*] (1) ElPasoSP (Bode Thompson).
[25 *Nov.*] (1) WaukeganB (Annette McClellan).
[28 *Nov.*] (17) RendL-J (Jim Mountjoy).
Reported in 23 counties (N:10, C:9, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 27.2 cos.

PURPLE SANDPIPER

[1] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), *21 Nov.* (Ryan Fuller).
[1] WaukeganB, *12 Nov.* (Annette McClellan, m.ob.*).
Reported in 2 counties (N:2, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 0.4 cos.

Baird's Sandpiper

[**16 Jul.**] (1) WaukeganB (Jerry Hampton).
[**19 Jul.**] (1) Bruns Rd (Madison Co) (Frank Holmes).
[15] Emiquon, *29 Aug.* (Al Stokie).
[10] High count from three locations.
[2 **Oct.**] (1) Middle Fork R FP (Champaign Co) (Michael Ward).
[4 **Oct.**] (1) Yorkville (Kendall Co) (Ryan Jones).
[12 **Oct.**] (1) Pk 566 (Dan Lory).
Reported in 39 counties (N:16, C:18, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 25.0 cos.

Least Sandpiper

[**24 Jun.**] (1) Montrose (Geoffrey A. Williamson).
[**25 Jun.**] (2) DeKalb (DeKalb Co) (Henry Meade).
[500] CrabOrchard, *4 Sep.* (m.ob.).
[402] Emiquon, *28 Aug.* (Henry Meade, M Meade).
[400] TwoRivers, *12 Aug.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[6 **Nov.**] (2) Coles Co (Tyler Funk).
[9 **Nov.**] (3) Rantoul (Champaign Co) (unknown).
[28 **Nov.**] (9) SantaFeBtms (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 67 counties (N:20, C:28, S:19). 5 yr. avg. = 61.4 cos.

White-rumped Sandpiper

[2 **Aug.**] (1) Emiquon (Colin Dobson).
[8 **Aug.**] (1) Worley L (Tazewell Co) (Bert Foquet).
[9 **Aug.**] (1) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
[6] CrabOrchard, *18 Aug.* (Judy Groskind).
Reported in 12 counties (N:7, C:4, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 11.8 cos.

Buff-breasted Sandpiper

[**25 Jul.**] (3) Emiquon (Colin Dobson).
[**31 Jul.**] Early date at two Kendall Co locations (m.ob.).
[27] Emiquon, *21 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[13] Kendall Co Sod Farm (Kendall Co), *10 Sep.* (Mike Madsen).
[6] TwoRivers, *24 Aug.* (David Haenni).
[23 **Sep.**] (1) Wheeler Rd Sod Farms (Boone Co) (Eric Secker).
[29 **Sep.**] (1) Late date from two Cook Co locations.
Reported in 23 counties (N:11, C:8, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 17.6 cos.

Pectoral Sandpiper

[4 **Jul.**] (2) Edgar Co (Steven Lima).
[5 **Jul.**] (1) Nacke Rd Crete (Will Co) (Susan Zelek).
[3,500] TwoRivers, *15 Aug.* (Keith McMullen).
[2,500] Emiquon, *19 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[1,500] CrabOrchard, *21 Aug.* (Keith McMullen, Mark Seiffert).
[30 **Oct.**] (1) Chautauqua (Ryan Hennessey).
[8 **Nov.**] (1) Foosland (Champaign Co) (Aerin Tedesco).
Reported in 64 counties (N:19, C:26, S:19). 5 yr. avg. = 58.4 cos.

Semipalmated Sandpiper

[3 **Jul.**] (6) Sauder Rd Pra (Tazewell Co) (Bert Foquet).
[3 **Jul.**] (3) Techny Basin (Cook Co) (Peter Walton).
[425] Emiquon, *2 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[350] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[200] TwoRivers, *7 Sep.* (Pam Bruns & Ken Smith).
[3 **Oct.**] (3) WhalonL (Mike Madsen).
[17 **Oct.**] (1) WaukeganB (Nat Carmichael).
Reported in 58 counties (N:19, C:23, S:16). 5 yr. avg. = 46.6 cos.

Western Sandpiper

[2 **Aug.**] (1) CrabOrchard (Don Mullison).
[2 **Aug.**] (1) Henderson Crk SFWA (Henderson Co) (Colin Dobson).
[9 **Aug.**] (1) Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (Glenn Perricone).
[9] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[9] Emiquon, *19 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[7 **Sep.**] (2) TwoRivers (Pam Bruns & Ken Smith).
[12 **Sep.**] (1) Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (Mark Seiffert).
[19 **Sep.**] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (m.ob.).
Reported in 12 counties (N:7, C:4, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 9.2 cos.

Short-billed Dowitcher

[**5 Jul.**] (1) Midway Rd fluddle (Morgan Co) (Colin Dobson).
[95] Emiquon, *19 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[20] TwoRivers, *14 Aug.* (Keith McMullen).
[15] CrabOrchard, *31 Aug.* (Brendon Lake, Glenn Giacinto, Steve Huggins).
[18 **Sep.**] (2) Middle Fork R FP (Champaign Co) (Dylan Smith).
[18 **Sep.**] (10) RendL-J (Michael Heaney).
Reported in 32 counties (N:14, C:12, S:6). 5 yr. avg. = 27.0 cos.

Long-billed Dowitcher

[**17 Jul.**] (1) Midway Rd fluddle (Morgan Co) (Colin Dobson).
[125] Emiquon, *28 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[19] GooseLPra, *7 Oct.* (Ted Wolff).
[17] Chautauqua, *30 Oct.* (Ryan Hennessey).
[30 **Oct.**] (17) Chautauqua (Ryan Hennessey).
[4 **Nov.**] (12) TwoRivers (Brent Schindewolf).
[13 **Nov.**] (1) Marion (Williamson Co) (Travis DeNeal).
Reported in 25 counties (N:12, C:9, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 23.6 cos.

American Woodcock

[5] Goodenow Grove NP (Will Co), *5 Nov.* (Bob Bryerton).
[4] Elburn (Kane Co), *11 Jun.* (Nancy Nesyto-Freske).
[4] Meadowbrook Pk (Champaign Co), *29 Oct.* (Roger Digges).
[4] Waukegan (Lake Co), *17 Jun.* (Jess Albarran).
[28 **Nov.**] (1) SpringbrookPra (Pat Sterbling).
Reported in 21 counties (N:9, C:8, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 21.6 cos.

Wilson's Snipe

[44] L Arispie (Bureau Co), *21 Oct.* (Scott Harp).
[38] Willowhaven (Kankakee Co), *9 Nov.* (Jed Hertz).
[30] UpperMissRNWR, *21 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Tammy L.).
Reported in 57 counties (N:21, C:21, S:15). 5 yr. avg. = 44.4 cos.

Wilson's Phalarope

[15 **Jul.**] (1) Volo (Lake Co) (Beau Schaefer).
[16 **Jul.**] (1) Emiquon (Colin Dobson).
[32] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (Keith McMullen).
[19] Emiquon, *19 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[15] CrabOrchard, *21 Aug.* (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 27 counties (N:11, C:11, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 13.6 cos.

Red-necked Phalarope

[14 **Aug.**] Early arrival date in four locations.
[30] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[4] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), *5 Sep.* (Colin Dobson).
[26 **Sep.**] (5) Chautauqua (m.ob.).
[1 **Oct.**] (1) L Senachwine (Putnam Co) (Steve Huggins).
[1 **Oct.**] (1) Sawmill L (Putnam Co) (Steve Huggins).
Reported in 14 counties (N:6, C:6, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 12.0 cos.

Red Phalarope

[1] CarlyleL-C, 14 Nov (Dan Kassebaum) (photos).

Spotted Sandpiper

[25] HeideckeL, *7 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[22] Rainbow B, Chi, *2 Jul.* (Xiaoni Xu, Jing-Yi Lu).
[21] Nippersink M (Lake Co), *17 Jul.* (Beau Schaefer, Jeff Bilsky).
[21] Powerton L (Tazewell Co), *17 Jul.* (Bert Foquet).
[7 **Nov.**] (1) Gillson (Victor Lefevre).
[16 **Nov.**] (1) Findlay (Shelby Co) (Colin Dobson).
[16 **Nov.**] (1) Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (Al Stokie).
Reported in 74 counties (N:22, C:31, S:21). 5 yr. avg. = 63.0 cos.

Solitary Sandpiper

[30 **Jun.**] (1) Montrose (Lydia K).
[2 **Jul.**] (4) RollinsSav (Barbara Laughlin-Karon, Laura Simpson).
[3 **Jul.**] (2) Eldred (Greene Co) (Jim Mountjoy).
[40] Rt52 Fluddle (Kendall Co), *31 Jul.* (Glenn Giacinto, Ryan Jones, Steve Huggins).
[21] Grayslake (Lake Co), *26 Jul.* (Beau Schaefer).
[20] Minooka (Kendall Co), *4 Aug.* (John Leonard).
[11 **Oct.**] (1) WhalonL (Matthew Wistrand).
[12 **Oct.**] (1) LBloomington (Angelo Capparella, Benjamin Murphy).
[14 **Oct.**] (1) Gridley WTP (McLean Co) (Bode Thompson).
Reported in 69 counties (N:22, C:28, S:19). 5 yr. avg. = 60.2 cos.

Greater Yellowlegs

[30 Jun.] (1) Pk 566 (Dan Lory).
[400] TwoRivers, 7 Sep. (Pam Bruns & Ken Smith).
[100] Emiquon, 22 Aug. (Graham Deese).
[100] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), 12 Sep. (Trevor Slovick).
[14 Nov.] (1) ILBeachSP (Nathan Goldberg, Steve Huggins).
[16 Nov.] (1) Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co) (Frank Holmes).
[22 Nov.] (3) CrabOrchard (Tina Pryor).
Reported in 61 counties (N:21, C:23, S:17). 5 yr. avg. = 57.2 cos.

Willet

[24 Jun.] (2) Gridley WTP (McLean Co) (Benjamin Murphy).
[24 Jun.] (2) Moline (Chuck Leib).
[24 Jun.] (3) Montrose (Geoffrey A. Williamson).
[14] TwoRivers, 10 Aug. (Jonah Eckels, Theo Bockhorst).
[5] ElPasoSP, 25 Jun. (Angelo Capparella).
[5] Montrose, 10 Aug. (Keith Bowers).
[30 Aug.] (1) Montrose (David Antieau).
[24 Sep.] (2) LCalumet (Eric Myers).
Reported in 7 counties (N:3, C:2, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 9.4 cos.

Lesser Yellowlegs

[24 Jun.] (6) PeacockM (Carolyn G., Jon G.).
[1,000] Chautauqua, 28 Aug. (m.ob.).
[600] Emiquon, 19 Aug. (Colin Dobson).
[600] TwoRivers, 7 Sep. (Pam Bruns & Ken Smith).
[29 Oct.] (1) Crete (Will Co) (Susan Zelek).
[31 Oct.] (2) Bureau Co (Scott Harp).
[6 Nov.] (1) Chautauqua (Mary & Steve Zehner).
Reported in 66 counties (N:19, C:27, S:20). 5 yr. avg. = 60.8 cos.

PARASITIC JAEGER

[1] CarlyleL-C, 18 Sep. (m.ob.*). Reports: 1 Co. 5 yr. avg. = 1.8 cos.

LONG-TAILED JAEGER

[1] CarlyleL-C, 11 Sep. (Travis Mahan*) & [2] 13 Sep. (Dan Kassebaum).
Reports: 1 Co. 5 yr. avg. = 0.6 cos.

Black-legged Kittiwake

[3] Gillson, 9 Nov. (Audrey Carl, Josh Engel, Woody Goss).
[1] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), 9 Nov. (Jacob Drucker, Ryan Fuller).
[1] L&D 21, 26 Nov. (Eric Benner, Tammy Volk).
Reported in 2 counties (N:1, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.6 cos.

Sabine’s Gull

[17 Aug.] (1) Helmick NP (Cook Co) (Ben Zerante).
[3] CarlyleL-C, 25 Sep. (m.ob.).
[3] Chautauqua, 21 Sep. (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).
[3] LSpringfield, 24 Sep. (Angelo Capparella, Benjamin Murphy, Trevor Slovick).
[26 Sep.] (1) Chautauqua (m.ob.).
[29 Sep.] (1) LSpringfield (Trevor Slovick).
Reported in 7 counties (N:1, C:4, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 2.8 cos.

Bonaparte’s Gull

[4 Aug.] (1) Big L (Brown Co) (Colin Dobson).
[7 Aug.] (1) LaSalleL (Glenn Giacinto, Ryan Jones, Steve Huggins).
[10 Aug.] (1) Baker’sL (m.ob.).
[4,000] CarlyleL-C, 24 Nov. (Dan Kassebaum).
[1,000] LSpringfield, 1 Nov. (Scott Robinson, Colin Dobson).
[900] LShelbyville-M, 16 Nov. (Colin Dobson).
Reported in 50 counties (N:16, C:19, S:15). 5 yr. avg. = 46.8 cos.

Little Gull

[2] LSpringfield, 27 Oct. (H. David Bohlen).
[1] RendL-J, 9 Sep. (Aaron Gyllenhaal*).
Reported in 2 counties (N:0, C:1, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 1.8 cos.

Laughing Gull

[1 Aug.] (2) CrabOrchard (Keith McMullen).
[11 Aug.] (1) CarlyleL-C (m.ob.).
[2] CrabOrchard, 1 Aug. (Keith McMullen).
[28 Sep.] (1) Eagle Crk SP (Shelby Co) (Ron Bradley).
[15 Oct.] (1) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 6 counties (N:1, C:2, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 7.8 cos.

Franklin’s Gull

[16 Aug.] (1) Big Sl (Carroll Co) (Ethan Brown).
[19 Aug.] (1) CarlyleL-C (Trevor Leitz).
[5 Sep.] (1) Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co) (Colin Dobson).
[400] Moline, 12 Oct. (Steven Freed).
[150] Montrose, 12 Nov. (Robert Hughes).
[114] JacksonPk, 12 Nov. (Tasha Lawson, Jacob Drucker).
[21 Nov.] Late date at three locations.
[27 Nov.] (1) L&D 21 (Eric Benner, Phil Reyburn).
Reported in 28 counties (N:11, C:8, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 27.4 cos.

Ring-billed Gull

[4,000] CarlyleL-C, 29 Oct. (Dan Kassebaum).
[2,750] HorseshoeLSP, 27 Nov. (Frank Holmes).
[2,500] Moline (Rock Island Co), 23 Oct. (Gordon Brown).
Reported in 86 counties (N:22, C:35, S:29). 5 yr. avg. = 73.4 cos.

California Gull

[1] Moline, 6 Oct. (Steven Freed, m.ob.).
[1] NPointMarina, 4 Sep. (m.ob.).
[1] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), 26 Sep. (m.ob.).
Reported in 4 counties (N:2, C:2, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 2.2 cos.

Herring Gull

[1,300] NPointMarina, 27 Nov. (Scott Cohrs, Jason Newton, Ryan Jones).
[600] ILBeachSP, 23 Oct. (unknown).
[300] ArsenalRd, 27 Nov. (Douglas Stotz).
Reported in 45 counties (N:18, C:18, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 44.4 cos.

Iceland Gull

[28 Sep.] (1) Eagle Crk SP (Shelby Co) (Ron Bradley).
[20 Oct.] (1) Montrose (David Assmann).
[23 Oct.] (1) Moline (Rock Island Co) (Gordon Brown).
[5] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 23 Nov. (Candida Abrahamson).
[4] NPointMarina, 28 Nov. (m.ob.).
Reported in 7 counties (N:6, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 6.0 cos.

Lesser Black-backed Gull

[11] LDecatur, 21 Sep. (Travis Mahan).
[4] Borrows Pits (Madison Co), 24 Oct. (Frank Holmes).
[4] Eastport Marina (Tazewell Co), 31 Oct. (Colin Dobson, Jennifer Scoby, Pete Fenner).
[4] GooseLPra, 24 Nov. (Matt Misewicz).
[4] NPointMarina, 28 Nov. (m.ob.).
Reported in 22 counties (N:1, C:6, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 15.2 cos.

Glaucous Gull

[13 Nov.] (1) NPointMarina (Steve Mulhall).
[23 Nov.] (1) Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (Candida Abrahamson).
[27 Nov.] (1) WaukeganB (Alexandria Horne).
Reported in 4 counties (N:2, C:2, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.6 cos.

Great Black-backed Gull

[1 Sep.] (1) Pk 566 (Aaron Gyllenhaal).
[20 Sep.] (1) Moline (Ted Hartzler).
Reported in 3 counties (N:3, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 3.6 cos.

Least Tern

[5] HorseshoeLSP, 13 Aug. (Eric Walters).
[4] CrabOrchard, 21 Aug. (m.ob.).
[14 Aug.] (1) TwoRivers (m.ob.).
[18 Aug.] (1) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
[22 Aug.] (1) CrabOrchard (m.ob.).
Reported in 5 counties (N:0, C:1, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 5.0 cos.

Caspian Tern

[240] CarlyleL-C, 14 Aug. (Dan Kassebaum).
[80] LRenwick, 13 Aug. (Douglas Stotz).
[77] Worley L (Tazewell Co), 29 Aug. (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).
[14 Oct.] (5) Moline (Steven Freed).
[21 Oct.] (1) Montrose (Terry Walsh).
[22 Oct.] (1) Humboldt Pk, Chi (Nick Waite).
Reported in 41 counties (N:13, C:18, S:10). 5 yr. avg. = 38.8 cos.

Black Tern

[137] CrabOrchard, *11 Aug.* (Julian Grudens).
[70] CarlyleL-C, *11 Aug.* (Ryan Jones, Steve Huggins).
[56] TwoRivers, *15 Aug.* (Keith McMullen).
[25 *Sep.*] (2) CarlyleL-C (m.ob.).
[27 *Sep.*] (1) Sawmill L (Putnam Co) (Scott Harp).
[30 *Sep.*] (1) L DePue (Bureau Co) (Justin Reed, Scott Harp).
Reported in 31 counties (N:13, C:10, S:8). 5 yr. avg. = 24.0 cos.

Common Tern

[6] LDecatur, *21 Sep.* (Travis Mahan).
[5] Montrose, *4 Sep.* (Josh Krause).
[5] RendL-J, *4 Sep.* (Colin Dobson).
[5 *Oct.*] (3) Pk 566 (Woody Goss).
[13 *Oct.*] (1) Creal Springs (Williamson Co) (Tina Pryor).
Reported in 15 counties (N:4, C:6, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 9.8 cos.

Forster’s Tern

[225] CarlyleL-C, *25 Sep.* (m.ob.).
[175] RendL-J, *4 Sep.* (Colin Dobson).
[100] Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co), *25 Sep.* (m.ob.).
[7 *Nov.*] (3) Wayne Fitzgerrell SP (Franklin Co) (Michael Heaney).
[28 *Nov.*] (3) CarlyleL-F (Janine Crandell).
[28 *Nov.*] (1) RendL-J (Jim Mountjoy).
Reported in 33 counties (N:9, C:13, S:11). 5 yr. avg. = 29.6 cos.

ROYAL TERN

[1] CarlyleL-C, *11-13 Aug.* (Leroy Harrison*, m.ob.).
Reported in 1 county (N:0, C:0, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 0.0 cos.

Red-throated Loon

[29 *Oct.*] (1) JacksonPk (Jacob Drucker).
[1 *Nov.*] (1) LSpringfield (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
[6 *Nov.*] (2) NW Univ (Cook Co) (Josh Engel).
[3] Gillson, *7 Nov.* (Woody Goss).
Reported in 5 counties (N:2, C:2, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 4.8 cos.

Common Loon

[14 *Aug.*] (1) UniversalMine (Steven Lima).
[22 *Sep.*] (1) Burnham Pk (Cook Co) (Jacob Drucker).
[22 *Sep.*] (1) Gillson (Josh Engel, Matthew Cvetas).
[110] CarlyleL-C, *21 Nov.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[23] LShelbyville-M, *16 Nov.* (Colin Dobson).
[20] LSpringfield, *1 Nov.* (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
Reported in 34 counties (N:13, C:12, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 31.4 cos.

WOOD STORK

[1] MermetL, *20 Jul. – 11 Aug.* (Bill Gilmour, m.ob.*).
Reported in 1 county (N:0, C:0, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 0.2 cos.

Double-crested Cormorant

[12,400] CarlyleL-C, *23 Oct.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[5,500] LaSalleL, *7 Aug.* (Steve Huggins, Ryan Jones, Glenn Giacinto).
[3,500] Carbondale Res (Jackson Co), *14 Oct.* (Laurel Toussaint).
[3,000] CrabOrchard, *1 Nov.* (Judy Groskind).
Reported in 94 counties (N:23, C:37, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 79.4 cos.

Neotropic Cormorant

[4] HorseshoeLSP, *15 Aug.* (Frank Holmes, Keith McMullen).
[3] CarlyleL-C, *16 Aug.* (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 5 counties (N:1, C:2, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 3.2 cos.

American White Pelican

[10,000] CarlyleL-F, *11 Oct.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[4,000] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (Keith McMullen).
[4,000] CrabOrchard, *4 Oct.* (Don Mullison, Judy Groskind).
Reported in 61 counties (N:18, C:26, S:17). 5 yr. avg. = 55.8 cos.

American Bittern

[26 *Oct.*] (1) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
[8 *Nov.*] (1) Marian Byrnes Pk (Cook Co) (Frank Geilen).
[16 *Nov.*] (1) Belvidere (Boone Co) (Joel Neylon).
Reported in 20 counties (N:11, C:4, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 13.6 cos.

Least Bittern

[8 *Sep.*] (1) ILBeachSP (Andrew Stewart, CiCi Birnberg).
[14 *Sep.*] (1) Emiquon (Andy Gilbert).
[13 *Oct.*] (1) Chi (unknown).
Reported in 14 counties (N:7, C:4, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 10.8 cos.

Great Blue Heron

[200] CarlyleL-F, *6 Aug.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[75] CrabOrchard, *6 Aug.* (Nicholas Schleissmann).
Reported in 99 counties (N:24, C:38, S:37). 5 yr. avg. = 97.2 cos.

Great Egret

[1,400] TwoRivers, *14 Aug.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[1,025] Chautauqua, *25 Aug.* (Mike Thelen).
[800] CrabOrchard, *1 Sep.* (Judy Groskind).
Reported in 90 counties (N:23, C:35, S:32). 5 yr. avg. = 80.8 cos.

Snowy Egret

[25] CrabOrchard, *29 Aug.* (Glenn Giacinto, Steve Huggins).
[12] Big L (Brown Co), *3 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[10] HorseshoeLSP, *21 Aug.* (Frank Holmes).
[10 *Oct.*] (1) Moline (Rock Island Co) (Tony Moline).
[30 *Oct.*] (1) CrabOrchard (Judy Groskind).
Reported in 31 counties (N:5, C:10, S:16). 5 yr. avg. = 25.0 cos.

Little Blue Heron

[104] CrabOrchard, *21 Aug.* (Jude Vickery, Ryan Jones).
[80] CarlyleL-C, *21 Aug.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[60] Big L (Brown Co), *4 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[26 *Sep.*] (1) Vienna (Johnson Co) (Ethan & Ian Wiist, Lucas Wilson).
[1 *Oct.*] (1) CarlyleL-B (Mark Seiffert).
[8 *Oct.*] (2) HorseshoeLSP (Frank Holmes).
Reported in 45 counties (N:6, C:16, S:23). 5 yr. avg. = 28.0 cos.

Cattle Egret

[30] Madison (Madison Co), *31 Aug.* (Frank Holmes).
[20] Emiquon, *7 Aug.* (Lourdes Venard).
[8] Collinsville WTP (Madison Co), *7 Sep.* (Hemmer).
[14 *Nov.*] (1) Jonsburg (McHenry Co) (m.ob.).
[17 *Nov.*] (7) Champaign (Champaign Co) (m.ob.).
Reported in 23 counties (N:7, C:7, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 16.0 cos.

Green Heron

[10] Channahon, *7 Aug.* (Douglas Stotz).
[10] Fox R Shores FP (Kane Co), *15 Aug.* (Walt Lutz).
[10] MermetL, *6 Aug.* (Nicholas Schleissmann).
[22 *Oct.*] (1) Weaver Pk (Champaign Co) (Aerin Tedesco).
[27 *Oct.*] (1) Crabtree NC (Cook Co) (David Warner).
Reported in 75 counties (N:21, C:27, S:27). 5 yr. avg. = 62.2 cos.

Black-crowned Night-Heron

[48] LincolnPk, *1 Aug.* (Tony Tempske).
[34] LaSalleL, *23 Aug.* (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).
[30] Washington Pk, Chi, *1 Aug.* (Barton Wicksted).
[27 *Nov.*] (1) Richard Clark Pk, Chi (Elizabeth Nishiura).
[30 *Nov.*] (1) Techny Basin CA (Cook Co) (Al Stokie).
Reported in 31 counties (N:14, C:9, S:8). 5 yr. avg. = 23.6 cos.

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

[3] MermetL, *6 Aug.* (Nicholas Schleissmann).
[9 *Sep.*] (1) DesPlainesCA (Joyce Schreiber).
[4 *Oct.*] (1) LCalumet (Scott Latimer, Ted Wolff).
Reported in 11 counties (N:6, C:3, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 6.2 cos.

WHITE IBIS

[2] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), *5-26 Sep.* (Colin Dobson*, Evan Smith, Aerin Tedesco).
[1] Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co), *15 Oct.* (Laura Johnson, John Sullivan*).
Reported in 2 counties (N:0, C:1, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 1.2 cos.

White-faced Ibis

[1] Sawmill L (Putnam Co), *1 Oct.* (m.ob.).
[1] WhalonL, *28 Aug.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 2 counties (N:2, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.8 cos.

ROSEATE SPOONBILL

[1] CrabOrchard, 20 Aug. – 4 Sep. (Katy Banning, Kimberly Rohling, m.ob.*).
Reported in 1 county (N:0, C:0, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 0.6 cos.

Black Vulture

[150] CrabOrchard, 14 Oct. (Judy Groskind).
[56] Carbondale, 22 Aug. (Laurel Toussaint).
[34] Stephen A. Forbes SP (Marion Co), 25 Nov. (Shane Patterson).
Reported in 29 counties (N:1, C:2, S:26). 5 yr. avg. = 16.8 cos.

Turkey Vulture

[643] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
[515] ILBeachSP, 16 Oct. (Janet Lyons, Janice & Paul Sweet).
[350] Lake Co, 16 Oct. (Richard Biss).
Reported in 101 counties (N:24, C:40, S:37). 5 yr. avg. = 100.2 cos.

Osprey

[45] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 14 Sep. (m.ob.).
[26] ILBeachSP, 14 Sep. (Janice Sweet).
[21 Nov.] (1) James Pk (Cook Co) (Isoo O’Brien).
[21 Nov.] (1) Univ of Chi (Jacob Drucker, Woody Goss).
Reported in 73 counties (N:22, C:28, S:23). 5 yr. avg. = 59.8 cos.

SWALLOW-TAILED KITE

[1] Plainville (Adams Co), 15 Aug. (Jason Mullins*).
Reported in 1 county (N:0, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.8 cos.

Golden Eagle

[18 Oct.] (1) MiddleforkSav (Ben & Katie Julian).
[20 Oct.] (1) Quinsippi I (Adams Co) (Donna Yates).
[25 Oct.] (1) DeerGrove (Chuck Fields).
[25 Oct.] (1) GreeneVal (Bob Fisher, J.A. Smith).
[2] Carroll Co, 12 Nov. (Ethan Brown).
Reported in 8 counties (N:5, C:2, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 7.6 cos.

Mississippi Kite

[20] SIUC (Jackson Co), 22 Aug. (Zach Skubiszewski).
[9] Belknap (Johnson Co), 3 Aug. (Angelo Capparella, Benjamin Murphy).
[7] Union Co, 5 Aug. (Bob Winston).
[8 Oct.] (1) ILBeachSP (Janice Sweet, Karen Lund).
[15 Oct.] (1) L&D 13 (Jan Kolk).
[15 Oct.] (1) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
Reported in 20 counties (N:2, C:3, S:15). 5 yr. avg. = 16.6 cos.

Northern Harrier

[30] CarlyleL-C, 13 Nov. (Dan Kassebaum).
[24] ILBeachSP, 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
[17] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
Reported in 91 counties (N:23, C:36, S:32). 5 yr. avg. = 72.8 cos.

Sharp-shinned Hawk

[13 Aug.] (1) Cumberland Co (Margaret & Roger Higbee).
[17 Aug.] (1) Westchester (Cook Co) (Douglas Stotz).
[21 Aug.] (1) Blackwell FP (DuPage Co) (Anna Testone).
[300] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
[273] ILBeachSP, 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
[79] GreeneVal, 15 Oct. (Bob Fisher, J.A. Smith).
Reported in 59 counties (N:22, C:20, S:17). 5 yr. avg. = 56.4 cos.

Cooper’s Hawk

[19] ILBeachSP, 16 Oct. (Janet Lyons, Janice Sweet, Paul Sweet).
[18] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), 26 Sep. (m.ob.).
[15] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 15 Oct. (m.ob.).
Reported in 88 counties (N:24, C:33, S:31). 5 yr. avg. = 77.6 cos.

Northern Goshawk

[1 Nov.] (1) ILBeachSP (unknown).
[1] Cook Co, 22 Nov. (Steve Huggins).
[1] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 14 Nov. (m.ob.).
[1] ILBeachSP, 2 Nov. (Irene Weinman).
[1] Kirkland (DeKalb Co), 23 Nov. (Ann Haverstock).
Reported in 3 counties (N:3, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 3.6 cos.

Bald Eagle

[32] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
[30] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), 26 Sep. (m.ob.).
[29] ILBeachSP, 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
Reported in 97 counties (N:23, C:39, S:35). 5 yr. avg. = 89.6 cos.

Red-shouldered Hawk

[8] ILBeachSP, 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
[6] GreeneVal, 23 Oct. (J.A. Smith, Bob Fisher).
[5] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 18 Nov. (John Leonard).
Reported in 80 counties (N:16, C:29, S:35). 5 yr. avg. = 69.4 cos.

Broad-winged Hawk

[375] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), 26 Sep. (m.ob.).
[250] East Peoria (Tazewell Co), 24 Sep. (Frank Geilen).
[227] ILBeachSP, 4 Oct. (Janet Lyons, Janice Sweet).
[26 Oct.] (1) Allerton Pk (Piatt Co) (Nathan Beccue).
[27 Oct.] (1) Old Farm (Calhoun Co) (Michael Miller).
[30 Oct.] (1) St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (Andrew & Rebecca Steinmann).
Reported in 54 counties (N:21, C:19, S:14). 5 yr. avg. = 48.2 cos.

Swainson’s Hawk

[1] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 25 Sep. (m.ob.).
[1] GreeneVal, 12 Oct. (Bob Fisher).
[1] Sangamon Co, 1 Oct. (H. David Bohlen).
[1] ILBeachSP, 25 Sep. (m.ob.).
Reported in 3 counties (N:2, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.8 cos.

Red-tailed Hawk

[434] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
[401] ILBeachSP, 16 Oct. (Paul Sweet, Janice Sweet, Janet Lyons).
[104] Winthrop H (Lake Co), 16 Oct. (James Steffen).
Reported in 102 counties (N:24, C:40, S:38). 5 yr. avg. = 98.0 cos.

Rough-legged Hawk

[14 Oct.] (2) ILBeachSP (Janice Sweet, Paul Sweet).
[16 Oct.] (1) Metropolis (Massac Co) (Travis Wilcoxen).
[16 Oct.] (1) Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (m.ob.).
[8] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 31 Oct. (m.ob.).
[5] GooseLPra, 26 Nov. (Davida Kalina).
[4] Arcola (Douglas Co), 8 Nov. (Candida Abrahamson).
Reported in 33 counties (N:12, C:12, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 29.8 cos.

FERRUGINOUS HAWK

[1] ILBeachSP, 17 Nov. (Vic Berardi*, Janice Sweet).
Reported in 1 county (N:1, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 0.2 cos.

Barn Owl

[3] Saybrook HA (McLean Co), 5 Oct. (Benjamin Guo, Benjamin Murphy, Pirmin Nietlisbach).
[2] DixonWR, 3 Oct. (Neil Zborowski).
Reported in 4 counties (N:3, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 3.0 cos.

Eastern Screech-Owl

[10] Big River SF (Henderson Co), 8 Sep. (Kelly Mckay, et al.).
[3] Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 20 Nov. (Alex Haza, Jacob Vinsel).
[3] Emiquon, 6 Oct. (Chad Cremer).
Reported in 46 counties (N:18, C:17, S:11). 5 yr. avg. = 35.8 cos.

Great Horned Owl

[5] MissR (Whiteside Co.), 29 Sep. (Kelly Mckay, Mark Roberts).
[5] Chautauqua, 18 Nov. (Max Rollfinke).
[5] Fullersburg Wds FP (DuPage Co), 23 Oct. (Glenn Perricone).
Reported in 62 counties (N:20, C:28, S:14). 5 yr. avg. = 55.0 cos.

Snowy Owl

[16 Nov.] (1) GlacialPk (Lisa Maier).
[19 Nov.] (1) Burnham Pk (Cook Co) (Audrey Carl).
[23 Nov.] (1) WaukeganB (m.ob.).
[2] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), 26 Nov. (m.ob.).
[2] Chi, 28 Nov. (Francisco Bezerra).
Reported in 6 counties (N:4, C:2, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 5.8 cos.

Barred Owl

[10] Big River SF (Henderson Co), *8 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, et al.).
[4] High count from four locations.
Reported in 76 counties (N:22, C:28, S:26). 5 yr. avg. = 70.6 cos.

Long-eared Owl

[1] Gremel WS (Lee Co), *23 Oct.* (m.ob.).
[1] Oak Ridge Cem (Sangamon Co), *16 Nov.* (H. Davin Bohlen).
[1] Steger (Cook Co), *19 Nov.* (Susan Zelek).
Reported in 3 counties (N:2, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 3.4 cos.

Short-eared Owl

[15 *Oct.*] (1) ILBeachSP (Andrew Stewart).
[16 *Oct.*] (1) Pk 566 (Carl Giometti).
[17 *Oct.*] (1) Montrose (m.ob.).
[14] Wheatfield Twp (Clinton Co), *20 Nov.* (Mark Seiffert).
[5] GooseLPra, *24 Nov.* (Matt Misewicz).
Reported in 20 counties (N:12, C:5, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 15.8 cos.

Northern Saw-whet Owl

[16 *Oct.*] (5) Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co) (John Longhenry).
[17 *Oct.*] (1) NygrenWet (Randolph Zimmerman).
[17 *Oct.*] (1) RollinsSav (Beau Schaefer).
[11] Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co), *22 Oct.* (John Longhenry).
[5] KennekukCove, *9 Nov.* (Mike Avara).
Reported in 8 counties (N:4, C:4, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 8.2 cos.

Belted Kingfisher

[6] Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), *10 Oct.* (Amy Stern).
[5] Harris Sl (Jo Daviess Co), *4 Aug.* (Kristin and John Anderson-Bricker).
Reported in 95 counties (N:24, C:36, S:35). 5 yr. avg. = 87.8 cos.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

[22] N Galesburg (Knox Co), *5 Oct.* (Jim Mountjoy).
[11] Humboldt Pk, Chi, *23 Oct.* (unknown).
[10] Crow I Wds (Cook Co), *20 Sep.* (Reed Stevens).
August records in Carroll and Jo Daviess Cos likely postbreeders.
Reported in 76 counties (N:23, C:28, S:25). 5 yr. avg. = 67.4 cos.

Red-headed Woodpecker

[25] Big River SF (Henderson Co), *8 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts).
[20] Allerton Pk (Piatt Co), *3 Nov.* (Scott Robinson).
Reported in 95 counties (N:23, C:39, S:33). 5 yr. avg. = 92.0 cos.

Red-bellied Woodpecker

[26] ThomsonRA, *29 Sep.* (Kelly McKay).
[21] Freeman Kame FP (Kane Co), *30 Oct.* (Walt Lutz).
[20] DeerGrove, *6 Nov.* (James Campbell).
Reported in 100 counties (N:24, C:39, S:37). 5 yr. avg. = 99.8 cos.

Downy Woodpecker

[20] ILBeachSP, *2 Oct.* (John Marion).
[17] MissPalisades, *3 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Tammy Loussaert).
[14] BurnidgeFP, *7 Nov.* (Walt Lutz).
[14] LCalumet, *17 Oct.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 100 counties (N:24, C:40, S:36). 5 yr. avg. = 99.2 cos.

Hairy Woodpecker

[14] ThomsonRA, *8 Sep.* (Kelly McKay).
[7] SaltCrkWds, *6 Sep.* (Douglas Stotz).
[7] Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), *15 Sep.* (Jette Casto).
Reported in 92 counties (N:24, C:24, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 84.4 cos.

Pileated Woodpecker

[8] MissPalisades, *3 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Tammy Loussaert).
[7] Allerton Pk (Piatt Co), *3 Nov.* (Scott Robinson).
[7] HeronPond, *18 Aug.* (Craig Wilson).
Reported in 84 counties (N:22, C:29, S:33). 5 yr. avg. = 77.0 cos.

Northern Flicker

[30] GreeneVal, *10 Sep.* (Nancy Allured).
[25] Allerton Pk (Piatt Co), *3 Nov.* (Scott Robinson).
[25] Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), *25 Sep.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 100 counties (N:24, C:40, S:36). 5 yr. avg. = 96.2 cos.

American Kestrel

[12] CarlyleL-C, *30 Oct.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[10] Marion (Williamson Co), *14 Aug.* (Tina Pryor).
[9] Arcola (Douglas Co), *22 Oct.* (Tyler Funk).
Reported in 100 counties (N:24, C:38, S:38). 5 yr. avg. = 94.0 cos.

Merlin

[4 *Aug.*] (1) Ellsworth St (Winnebago Co) (John Longhenry).
[9 *Aug.*] (1) Pk 566 (Lu Wei).
[12 *Aug.*] (1) Montrose (Evan Kuhel).
[164] ILBeachSP, *14 Oct.* (Janice & Paul Sweet).
[57] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *16 Oct.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 55 counties (N:23, C:21, S:11). 5 yr. avg. = 42.2 cos.

Peregrine Falcon

[28] ILBeachSP, *12 Oct.* (m.ob.).
[13] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *14 Sep.* (Adam Sell, Sandra Kroll).
Reported in 44 counties (N:19, C:15, S:10). 5 yr. avg. = 38.6 cos.

Prairie Falcon

[1] Chenoa (Livingston Co), *30 Oct.* (m.ob.).
[1] Lexington (McLean Co), *1 Nov.* (m.ob.).
[1] Arcola (Coles Co), *2 Nov.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 4 counties (N:19, C:15, S:10). 5 yr. avg. = 1.8 cos.

Monk Parakeet

[210] CalumetPk, *5 Nov.* (Heath Harlan).
[160] Chi, *20 Nov.* (Deb Phillips, Jeff Skrentny).
Reported in 3 counties (N:3, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 2.6 cos.

SMALL-BILLED ELAENIA

[1] WaukeganB, *26 Nov. – 7 Dec.* (Susan Zelek*, m.ob.*).

Olive-sided Flycatcher

[3 *Aug.*] (1) Wigwam Hollow BS (McDonough Co) (Lewis Marx).
[5 *Aug.*] (1) Mallard L FP (DuPage Co) (Luis Munoz).
[5 *Aug.*] (1) Richard Young FP (Kendall Co) (Timothy Balassie).
[3] Middle Fork River FP (Champaign Co), *14 Aug.* (Michael Ward).
[27 *Sep.*] (1) L Senachwine (Putnam Co) (Scott Harp).
[27 *Sep.*] (1) Ryerson (Lin McGrew).
Reported in 39 counties (N:18, C:13, S:8). 5 yr. avg. = 34.0 cos.

Eastern Wood-Pewee

[29] SaltCrkWds, *6 Sep.* (Douglas Stotz).
[27] MissPalisades, *3 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Tammy Loussaert).
[20] Middle Fork R FP (Champaign Co), *4 Sep.* (Dylan Smith, Sarah Winnicki).
[18 *Oct.*] Late date from three northern IL locations.
[19 *Oct.*] (1) Champaign (Champaign Co) (Aerin Tedesco).
Reported in 97 counties (N:24, C:39, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 92.0 cos.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher

[3 *Aug.*] (1) Mallinkrodt Pk (Cook Co) (Owen Woodhouse).
[5 *Aug.*] (1) Evanston (Cook Co) (John Bates).
[4] Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co), *22 Aug.* (John Longhenry).
[3 *Oct.*] (1) Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (Mark Seiffert).
[7 *Oct.*] (1) CarlyleL-B (Mark Seiffert).
[9 *Oct.*] (1) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 49 counties (N:19, C:18, S:12). 5 yr. avg. = 36.8 cos.

Acadian Flycatcher

[8] Pomona, *14 Sep.* (Rhonda Rothrock).
[6] Everett Dirksen Pk (Tazewell Co), *8 Aug.* (Bert Foquet).
[6] Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), *31 Aug.* (Vicky & Gordon Tucker).
[1 *Oct.*] (2) PineHills (Henry Pollock, Nicholas Sly).
[2 *Oct.*] (1) Little Grand Canyon (Jackson Co) (Henry Pollock, Nicholas Sly).
[3 *Oct.*] (1) HeronPond (Henry Pollock, Nicholas Sly).
Reported in 53 counties (N:13, C:15, S:25). 5 yr. avg. = 41.8 cos.

Alder Flycatcher

[12 *Aug.*] (1) Pk 566 (Dan Lory).
[24 *Aug.*] (1) DickYoungNL (Tim Klimowski).
[27 *Aug.*] (1) MortonArb (Hiam Garner).
[2] DeKalb Co, *3 Sep.* (Richard and Marie Ary).

[**17 Sep.**] (1) Ewing Pk, Bloomington (Michael Retter).
[**18 Sep.**] (1) DixonWR (William & Gayla Hickerson).
[**19 Sep.**] (1) Coons Farms (LaSalle Co) (Don Coons).
Reported in 15 counties (N:10, C:4, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 13.2 cos.

Willow Flycatcher

[7] Goose L NA (McHenry Co), *1 Aug.* (Jeff Aufmann).
[**12 Sep.**] (2) BuseyWds (Dylan Smith).
[**13 Sep.**] (1) MiddleforkSav (David Johnson).
Reported in 29 counties (N:16, C:8, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 31.6 cos.

Least Flycatcher

[**2 Aug.**] (1) JacksonPk (Paul R. Clyne).
[**5 Aug.**] (1) Montrose (Terry Walsh).
[5] Jarvis, *6 Sep.* (Jake Archbell).
[5] Montrose, *13 Aug.* (Matthew Cvetas, Johnny Doley. Geoffrey Williamson).
[**11 Oct.**] (1) Montrose (Aaron Maizlish).
[**13 Oct.**] (1) Indian Gardens Path (Cook Co) (Valerie Jisa).
Reported in 61 counties (N:19, C:22, S:20). 5 yr. avg. = 47.2 cos.

Eastern Phoebe

[8] Canal Shores GC (Cook Co), *28 Sep.* (Peter Walton).
[6] Henderson Crk SFWA (Henderson Co), *25 Sep.* (Ted Wolff).
[6] Jarvis, *28 Sep.* (Leo Edson).
[6] Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), *18 Sep.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 94 counties (N:23, C:38, S:33). 5 yr. avg. = 92.2 cos.

SAY’S PHOEBE

[1] Grantsburg (Johnson Co), *22 Sep.* (Cathy Morvich*).
Reported in 1 county (N:0, C:0, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 1.0 cos.

Great Crested Flycatcher

[6] Montrose, *27 Aug.* (Johnny Doley).
[5] Sand Ridge NC (Cook Co), *16 Aug.* (Edward Warden).
[**25 Sep.**] (1) Riley Starkey Pk (McLean Co) (Bill Davison, Matthew Winks).
[**28 Sep.**] (1) Techny Basin CA (Cook Co) (Kat O’Reilly).
Reported in 84 counties (N:24, C:30, S:30). 5 yr. avg. = 68.2 cos.

Western Kingbird

[1] Columbia (Monroe Co), *18 Aug.* (James Hickner). 5 yr. avg. = 4.0 cos.

Eastern Kingbird

[60] CarlyleL-C, *29 Aug.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[21] Monee (Will Co), *29 Aug.* (Dave Z.).
[20] DixonWR, *17 Aug.* (Brendon Lake).
[**19 Sep.**] (6) Fayette Co (Jill Perry).
[**19 Sep.**] (1) WaukeganB (Annette & William McClellan).
[**23 Sep.**] (1) HeronPond (Dean Hester).
Reported in 93 counties (N:24, C:36, S:33). 5 yr. avg. = 83.0 cos.

White-eyed Vireo

[10] Ragan Rd (Pope Co), *4 Aug.* (Nathan Goldberg).
[9] Pomona, *8 Sep.* (Rhonda Rothrock).
[**16 Oct.**] (1) Edwardsville (Madison) (David Webb).
[**16 Oct.**] (1) Hosah Pk (Lake Co) (Jake Archbell).
[**26 Nov.**] (1) ChiBotanicG (Vlad Nevirkov).
Reported in 59 counties (N:15, C:17, S:27). 5 yr. avg. = 48.8 cos.

Bell’s Vireo

[8] Emiquon, *22 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[6] BannerM, *1 Aug.* (Jennifer Scoby, Pete Fenner).
[5] GooseLPra, *5 Aug.* (Matt Misewicz).
[**15 Sep.**] () Sangamon River FP (Champaign Co) (Janice Enos).
[**15 Sep.**] (1) Yorkville (Kendall Co) (Ryan Jones).
[**24 Sep.**] (1) DixonWR (Scott Harp).
[**29 Sep.**] (1) Petersburg (Menard Co) (Michael Morin).
Reported in 33 counties (N:12, C:12, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 31.2 cos.

Yellow-throated Vireo

[13] MissPalisades, *3 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Tammy Loussaert).
[**7 Oct.**] (1) Kankakee (Jed Hertz).
[**10 Oct.**] (1) BusseWds (James Campbell).
[**15 Oct.**] (1) Edwards Co (Shelby Robert).
Reported in 80 counties (N:23, C:30, S:27). 5 yr. avg. = 62.4 cos.

Blue-headed Vireo

[**31 Aug.**] (1) Springfield (Sangamon Co) (Michael Prigge).
[**4 Sep.**] (1) Camp Pine Wds FP (Cook Co) (John Elliott).
[**4 Sep.**] (1) McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (Tom and Margaret).
[5] Washington Pk, Chi, *5 Oct.* (Jacob Drucker).
[**31 Oct.**] (1) Crystal L (Champaign Co) (m.ob.).
[**1 Nov.**] (1) Waldron Arb (Kankakee Co) (Eric Johnson).
[**7 Nov.**] (1) Burnham Pk (Cook Co) (Cary Hillegonds).
Reported in 58 counties (N:22, C:23, S:13). 5 yr. avg. = 43.0 cos.

Philadelphia Vireo

[**20 Aug.**] (1) BuseyWds (Aerin Tedesco).
[**20 Aug.**] (1) LCharleston (Abbey Marsmaker).
[**21 Aug.**] (1) VoloBog (Jeff Aufmann, Randy Schietzelt).
[10] Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), *5 Sep.* (Tyler Funk).
[10] Montrose, *12 Sep.* (Thomas Sykora).
[10] CarlyleL-C, *19 Sep.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[**14 Oct.**] Late date at three locations.
Reported in 64 counties (N:23, C:27, S:14). 5 yr. avg. = 42.6 cos.

Warbling Vireo

[15] Montrose, *15 Aug.* (Janet Scheel, Mark Scheel).
[11] JacksonPk, *31 Aug.* (Randy Shonkwiler).
[**29 Sep.**] (1) Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (Ted Wolff).
[**1 Oct.**] (1) The Grove (Cook Co) (John Leonard).
[**9 Oct.**] (1) Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co) (m.ob.).
Reported in 78 counties (N:23, C:31, S:24). 5 yr. avg. = 70.8 cos.

Red-eyed Vireo

[30] Steward Pk (Kendall Co), *11 Sep.* (Ryan Jones, Steve Huggins).
[27] Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), *10 Sep.* (Ron Bradley).
[**16 Oct.**] (1) DuPage R Greenway (Will Co) (Mike Madsen).
[**18 Oct.**] (1) Park Ridge (Cook Co) (Suzanne Coleman).
[**23 Oct.**] (1) JacksonPk (m.ob.).
Reported in 89 counties (N:23, C:37, S:29). 5 yr. avg. = 75.8 cos.

Loggerhead Shrike

[2] Wayne Co, *24 Oct.* (Shelby Robert).
Reports: 8 Cos (N:2, C:1, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 7.2 cos. To end of season in 3 Cos.

Northern Shrike

[**17 Oct.**] (1) ILBeachSP (m.ob.).
[**18 Oct.**] (1) Montrose (m.ob.).
[2] ILBeachSP, *20 Oct.* (Janice & Paul Sweet).
[2] SpringbrookPra, *29 Nov.* (Bruce Rowland).
Reported in 15 counties (N:12, C:2, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 13.2 cos.

Blue Jay

[350] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), *26 Sep.* (m.ob.).
[206] ILBeachSP, *23 Sep.* (unknown).
[161] ThomsonRA, *29 Sep.* (Kelly McKay).
Reported in 101 counties (N:24, C:40, S:37). 5 yr. avg. = 100.4 cos.

American Crow

[600] CarlyleL-C, *30 Oct.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[500] CacheRSNA, *31 Aug.* (Brendon Lake).
[400] UIUC Arb (Champaign Co), *15 Oct.* (Froggi VanRiper).
[365] Chi, *27 Nov.* (Jeff Skrentny).
Reported in 101 counties (N:24, C:40, S:37). 5 yr. avg. = 98.6 cos.

Fish Crow

[57] TwoRivers, *22 Aug.* (Randy Schiller).
[32] MelvinPrice, *7 Sep.* (Mike Thelen).
[**5 Nov.**] (1) Normal (McLean Co) (Bill Davison).
[**18 Nov.**] (1) Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (Mark Seiffert).
[**29 Nov.**] (1) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 27 counties (N:0, C:6, S:21). 5 yr. avg. = 20.4 cos.

Carolina Chickadee

[15] Bryan Pk (Marion Co), *16 Oct.* (Atlee Hargis).
[15] Charleston (Coles Co), *17 Oct.* (Vicky & Gordon Tucker).
[15] Chautauqua Btms NP (Jackson Co), *17 Oct.* (Zach Skubiszewski).
[15] Ragan Rd (Pope Co), *4 Aug.* (Nathan Goldberg).
Reported in 41 counties (N:0, C:6, S:35). 5 yr. avg. = 38.4 cos.

Black-capped Chickadee

[58] Big River SF (Henderson Co), 8 Sep. (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberst).
[42] SaltCrkWds, 6 Sep. (Douglas Stotz).
[40] DeerGrove, 6 Nov. (James Campbell).
Reported in 63 counties (N:24, C:36, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 62.0 cos.

Tufted Titmouse

[20] Everett Dirksen Pk (Tazewell Co), 26 Sep. (Bert Foquet).
[20] Kickapoo Crk CP (Logan Co), 19 Sep. (Kevin Curty).
[18] MissPalisades, 3 Sep. (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Tammy Loussaert).
Reported in 99 counties (N:24, C:38, S:27). 5 yr. avg. = 92.4 cos.

Horned Lark

[300] CarlyleL-C, 20 Nov. (Dan Kassebaum).
[75] Chenoa (Livingston Co), 31 Oct. (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).
[60] Kress Crk Farms Pk (DuPage Co), 12 Nov. (Haley Gottardo).
Reported in 76 counties (N:22, C:29, S:25). 5 yr. avg. = 70.4 cos.

Northern Rough-winged Swallow

[400] SpringL, 25 Sep. (Bert Foquet).
[300] ECapeGir, 8 Aug. (Leon Book).
[27 Oct.] (2) LRenwick (Lydia Pultorak).
[28 Oct.] (1) CarlyleWTP (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 77 counties (N:21, C:34, S:22). 5 yr. avg. = 68.2 cos.

Purple Martin

[322] Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co), 15 Aug. (Woody Goss).
[204] Lake Co, 8 Aug. (Richard Biss).
[15 Sep.] (1) Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (m.ob.).
[24 Sep.] (1) Chautauqua (Kevin Smith).
[25 Sep.] (1) Illinois City (Rock Island Co) (Jim Mountjoy).
Reported in 75 counties (N:21, C:25, S:29). 5 yr. avg. = 57.0 cos.

Tree Swallow

[4,000] CarlyleL-C, 16 Oct. (Dan Kassebaum).
[4,000] Foster Rd Pastures (Peoria Co), 20 Oct. (Dennis Endicott).
[2,500] L&D 13, 10 Oct. (Eric Ollie).
[18 Nov.] (1) CarlyleWTP (Mark Seiffert).
[18 Nov.] (1) NewtonL (Shelby Robert).
Reported in 89 counties (N:24, C:35, S:30). 5 yr. avg. = 85.4 cos.

Bank Swallow

[2,000] Putnam Co, 3 Aug. (Bob Fisher).
[400] TwoRivers, 12 Aug. (Dan Kassebaum).
[175] Emiquon, 8 Aug. (Colin Dobson).
[26 Sep.] (1) Chautauqua (m.ob.).
[26 Sep.] (1) Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co) (m.ob.).
Reported in 64 counties (N:23, C:22, S:19). 5 yr. avg. = 92.6 cos.

Barn Swallow

[500] PeacockM, 20 Aug. (Mike Madsen).
[400] TwoRivers, 12 Aug. (Dan Kassebaum).
[200] Alba Twp (Henry Co), 22 Aug. (Urs Geiser).
[12 Nov.] (1) ILBeachSP (John Leonard).
Reported in 95 counties (N:23, C:38, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 92.6 cos.

Cliff Swallow

[600] Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 3 Aug. (Dan Kassebaum).
[300] Bureau Co, 26 Aug. (Mike Madsen).
[200] Brownfield Rd (Pope Co), 1 Aug. (Keith McMullen).
[26 Sep.] Late date at four locations.
Reported in 81 counties (N:22, C:31, S:28). 5 yr. avg. = 65.8 cos.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet

[3 Sep.] (2) Crabtree NC (Cook Co) (Mike Dani).
[4 Sep.] (1) NPointMarina (m.ob.).
[50] Rainbow B, Chi, 7 Oct. (Isoo O'Brien).
[40] Jarvis, 13 Oct. (Woody Goss).
[35] Ewing Pk, Bloomington, 16 Oct. (Keith Corliss).
[35] Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 23 Sep. (Jeff Bilsky).
Reported in 82 counties (N:23, C:33, S:26). 5 yr. avg. = 75.6 cos.

Golden-crowned Kinglet

[6 Sep.] (1) Canal Shores GC (Cook Co) (Kat O'Reilly).
[76] LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 20 Oct. (Jeff Skrentny).
[70] Montrose, 23 Sep. (m.ob.).
[54] Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 30 Oct. (Alex Haza).
Reported in 93 counties (N:24, C:35, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 74.2 cos.

Red-breasted Nuthatch

[7 Aug.] (1) Mem Pk Cem (Cook Co) (John Bates).
[7 Aug.] (1) Woodridge (DuPage Co) (Jeff Chapman).
[8 Aug.] (1) ILBeachSP (Sean Kennedy, Summer Lee).
[47] Fuller Mem FP (Winnebago Co), 20 Oct. (Eric Secker).
[28] Klehm Arb (Winnebago Co), 1 Oct. (Eric Secker).
[20] Lyons Wds (Lake Co), 20 Nov. (Jeff Bilsky).
[20] MortonArb, 8 Nov. (Nick Waite).
Reported in 80 counties (N:23, C:30, S:27). 5 yr. avg. = 61.6 cos.

White-breasted Nuthatch

[28] Big River SF (Henderson Co), 8 Sep. (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberst).
[20] Country Ln Wds (Cook Co), 21 Nov. (Noah Price).
[20] DeerGrove, 6 Nov. (James Campbell).
[20] Hoover FP (Kendall Co), 27 Nov. (Kurt Emmert).
Reported in 99 counties (N:24, C:39, S:36). 5 yr. avg. = 95.4 cos.

Brown Creeper

[20] Montrose, 26 Sep. (Joy Wang).
[12] Jarvis, 23 Sep. (Jake Archbell, Luke Archbell).
[11] Spencer CA (Boone Co), 23 Oct. (Eric Secker).
Reported in 83 counties (N:24, C:33, S:26). 5 yr. avg. = 65.0 cos.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

[23] Montrose, 15 Aug. (Bonnie Graham, Joan Campbell).
[14] Marion (Williamson Co), 3 Aug. (Tina Pryor).
[14] TwoRivers, 15 Aug. (Keith McMullen).
[24 Oct.] (1) CarlyleL-C (Mark Seiffert).
[26 Oct.] (1) E Side Sports Complex (Kane Co) (Tim Klimowski).
[17 Nov.] (1) BuseyWds (Grant Witynski).
Reported in 84 counties (N:21, C:32, S:31). 5 yr. avg. = 74.0 cos.

House Wren

[20] Merwin NP (McLean Co), 4 Aug. (Pirmin Nietlisbach).
[19] Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co), 8 Aug. (John Longhenry).
[16] MortonArb, 3 Aug. (Dennis Streicher, Jerry Zamirowski).
[26 Oct.] (1) Galesburg (Knox Co) (Rachel Purdy).
[19 Nov.] (1) Pontiac (Livingston Co) (Keith McMullen).
Reported in 88 counties (N:24, C:38, S:26). 5 yr. avg. = 79.8 cos.

Winter Wren

[27 Aug.] (1) Evanston (Cook Co) (T I).
[6 Sep.] (1) Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (Amanda Tichacek, Jeff Bilsky).
[11] ILBeachSP, 13 Oct. (Andrew Stewart).
[10] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 18 Oct. (Josh Engel).
[10] Montrose, 16 Oct. (Kevin Lin).
Reported in 62 counties (N:23, C:22, S:17). 5 yr. avg. = 47.8 cos.

Sedge Wren

[10] DickYoungNL, 23 Aug. (Michael Bily).
[8] Del Air (Pike Co), 9 Aug. (Jim Funk).
[8] GooseLPra, 13 Aug. (Carolyn G., Jon G.).
[8] Perry Farm Pk (Kankakee Co), 3 Aug. (Jed Hertz).
[8] Pra Green (Kane Co), 16 Sep. (Matthew Wistrand).
[26 Oct.] (2) Wagon L NA (St. Clair Co) (John and Katie Huffman).
[28 Oct.] (1) Flora (Clay Co) (Chace Scholten).
[30 Oct.] (1) Meadowbrook Pk (Champaign Co) (Lorenzo D'Alessio).
Reported in 50 counties (N:20, C:20, S:10). 5 yr. avg. = 47.8 cos.

Marsh Wren

[7] Lockport Pra NP (Will Co), 30 Sep. (Maura Carlisle).
[6] L&D 13, 16 Oct. (William & Gayla Hickerson).
[7 Nov.] Late date at five locations.
[9 Nov.] (2) Bluff Hall Rd (Adams Co) (Jason Mullins).
Reported in 39 counties (N:16, C:13, S:10). 5 yr. avg. = 36.4 cos.

Carolina Wren

[6] Casey (Coles Co), *23 Aug.* (Ruth Riegel).
[6] Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), *18 Oct.* (Ron Bradley).
Reported in 90 counties (N:21, C:35, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 93.0 cos.

European Starling

[12,500] LCalumet, *16 Nov.* (Walter Marcisz).
[5,000] QuadCities, *10 Nov.* (Kelly McKay).
Reported in 101 counties (N:24, C:39, S:38). 5 yr. avg. = 98.6 cos.

Gray Catbird

[35] Big River SF (Henderson Co), *8 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberst).
[30] Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co), *2 Sep.* (John Longhenry).
[28] ChainOLSP, *13 Sep.* (Neil Brown).
Reported in 92 counties (N:24, C:39, S:29). 5 yr. avg. = 84.8 cos.

Brown Thrasher

[7] HorseshoeLSP, *19 Sep.* (Steve Keith, Charles Askey).
[5] Arlington Wet (Madsion Co), *25 Sep.* (Frank Holmes).
[5] HorseshoeLSP, *6 Oct.* (Frank Holmes).
[5] Jelke Crk BS (Kane Co), *21 Sep.* (Walt Lutz).
[5] Union Co, *17 Sep.* (Mark Vukovich).
Reported in 71 counties (N:21, C:27, S:23). 5 yr. avg. = 67.8 cos.

Northern Mockingbird

[9] ShawneeNF (Williamson Co), *16 Sep.* (Tina Pryor).
[6] Carbondale Res (Jackson Co), *19 Aug.* (Laurel Toussaint).
Reported in 44 counties (N:6, C:10, S:28). 5 yr. avg. = 50.6 cos.

Eastern Bluebird

[31] Crabtree NC (Cook Co), *5 Nov.* (m.ob.).
[25] Cuba M FP (Lake Co), *11 Nov.* (Stephen Hurst).
Reported in 90 counties (N:23, C:33, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 95.2 cos.

Townsend's Solitaire

[1] Arbor Gates Subdivision (Kendall Co), *31 Oct.* (Scott Johnson).
Reported in 1 county (N:1, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.2 cos.

Veery

[13 Aug.] (1) MortonArb (Pat Sterbling).
[16 Aug.] Early date from three locations.
[270] Geneva (Kane Co), *9 Sep.* (Scott Cohrs) (estimated nocturnal flight count).
[6] Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co), *2 Sep.* (John Longhenry).
[5] High count from three locations.
[28 Sep.] (1) The Grove (Cook Co) (Mary Lou Mellon, Randy Schietzelt, Vicky Senter).
[2 Oct.] (1) Montrose (Coop Bellini).
Reported in 41 counties (N:20, C:11, S:10). 5 yr. avg. = 27.2 cos.

Gray-cheeked Thrush

[14 Aug.] (1) Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co) (John Longhenry).
[28 Aug.] (1) Montrose (Corey Wagner).
[270] Geneva (Kane Co), *9 Sep.* (Scott Cohrs) (estimated nocturnal flight count).
[10] Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co), *9 Sep.* (John Longhenry).
[10] Steward Pk (Kendall Co), *15 Sep.* (Ryan Jones).
[17 Oct.] Late date at three locations.
[23 Oct.] (1) St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (Joe Suchecki).
Reported in 52 counties (N:21, C:18, S:13). 5 yr. avg. = 36.0 cos.

Swainson's Thrush

[12 Aug.] (1) Montrose (Robert Hughes).
[12 Aug.] (1) NorthPond (Steve Huggins).
[1,400] Geneva (Kane Co), *8 Sep.* (Scott Cohrs) (estimated nocturnal flight count).
[131] Westchester (Cook Co), *8 Sep.* (Douglas Stotz).
[127] Downers Grove (DuPage Co), *6 Sep.* (Jay Sturner).
[26 Oct.] (1) Irving Pk (Cook Co) (David Antieau).
Reported in 74 counties (N:23, C:28, S:23). 5 yr. avg. = 61.2 cos.

Hermit Thrush

[9 Sep.] (1) Glen Ellyn (DuPage Co) (Caiti Beck).
[9 Sep.] (1) Mettler Wds NP (DeWitt Co) (Brady Colin).
[11 Sep.] (1) Montrose (Stephanie Beilke).
[47] CalumetPk, *17 Oct.* (Walter Marcisz).

[32] JacksonPk, *13 Oct.* (Jacob Drucker).
[30] Montrose, *14 Oct.* (Summer Lee, Kevin Lin).
Reported in 63 counties (N:21, C:24, S:18). 5 yr. avg. = 58.2 cos.

Wood Thrush

[100] Geneva (Kane Co), *8 Sep.* (Scott Cohrs) (estimated nocturnal flight count).
[7] MortonArb, *11 Aug.* (Dennis Streicher, Jerry Zamirowski).
[7] Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co), *6 Sep.* (John Longhenry).
[17 Nov.] (1) Washington Pk, Chi (Barton Wicksted).
Reported in 61 counties (N:22, C:20, S:19). 5 yr. avg. = 45.2 cos.

American Robin

[1,500] Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), *2 Nov.* (Tom M).
[1,062] N Shore Channel (Cook Co), *11 Nov.* (Rich DeCoster).
Reported in 100 counties (N:24, C:40, S:36). 5 yr. avg. = 98.4 cos.

Cedar Waxwing

[1,542] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *28 Aug.* (Lisa Maier).
[890] ILBeachSP, *29 Aug.* (Karen Lund).
[500] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), *28 Aug.* (Jeff Bilsky).
Reported in 89 counties (N:24, C:39, S:26). 5 yr. avg. = 84.4 cos.

House Sparrow

[385] WaukeganB, *11 Oct.* (Adam Sell).
[325] Montrose, *27 Aug.* (Howard Blum).
[290] South Oak Pk (Cook Co), *21 Sep.* (Eric D Gyllenhaal).
Reported in 97 counties (N:24, C:39, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 95.4 cos.

Eurasian Tree Sparrow

[80] Chautauqua, *28 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[65] Havana (Mason Co), *23 Aug.* (Mike Thelen).
[60] Hennepin Canal Parkway Trail (Bureau Co), *2 Sep.* (Eric Secker).
Reported in 42 counties (N:14, C:23, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 36.0 cos.

American Pipit

[7 Sep.] (1) GreeneVal (J.A. Smith).
[10 Sep.] (1) Gardner (Grundy Co) (Jerry Hampton).
[80] Sycamore (DeKalb Co), *22 Oct.* (Ken Reinert).
[53] Hindsboro (Coles Co), *30 Oct.* (Tyler Funk).
[45] Tamalco Twp (Bond Co), *12 Nov.* (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 42 counties (N:17, C:13, S:12). 5 yr. avg. = 31.6 cos.
Through end of season in 8 Counties.

Evening Grosbeak

[1] Stickney Run CA (McHenry Co), *9 Nov.* (Lisa Maier).
Reported in 1 county (N:1, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.0 cos.

House Finch

[910] JacksonPk, *9 Oct.* (m.ob.).
[179] Montrose, *9 Oct.* (Fran Morel).
[158] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *9 Oct.* (Lisa Maier, Jeff Aufmann).
Reported in 96 counties (N:24, C:39, S:33). 5 yr. avg. = 80.4 cos.

Purple Finch

[1 Sep.] (2) Pra Pk (DeKalb Co) (Andrew Dreelin).
[8 Sep.] (1) Elsens Hill (Jane Icenogle).
[9 Sep.] (1) Churchill Pk (DuPage Co) (Anna Testone).
[32] LRenwick, *7 Nov.* (Douglas Stotz).
[30] SandRidgeSF, *1 Nov.* (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
[16] Raceway Wds FP (Kane Co), *15 Nov.* (Eric Secker).
Reported in 63 counties (N:23, C:24, S:16). 5 yr. avg. = 48.0 cos.

Common Redpoll

[23 Oct.] (1) Montrose (David Assmann).
[1 Nov.] (1) Petersburg (Menard Co) (Michael Morin).
[2 Nov.] (1) West Dundee (Kane Co) (Eric Secker).
[52] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *27 Nov.* (Lisa Maier).
[30] WaukeganB, *19 Nov.* (Philip Vogrinc).
Reported in 7 counties (N:5, C:2, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 8.8 cos.

Red Crossbill

[1] Cary (McHenry Co), *7 Nov.* (Jeff Aufmann).
Reported in 1 county (N:1, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 8.6 cos.

White-winged Crossbill

[1] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *31 Oct.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 1 county (N:1, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 3.6 cos.

Pine Siskin

[**6 Sep.**] (2) Highland Pk (Lake Co) (Andrew Michalek).
[**21 Sep.**] (1) Woodland Hills (DuPage Co) (Annette Moore).
[**22 Sep.**] (1) MortonArb (Pat Sterbling).
[**38**] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *31 Oct.* (Jeff Bilsky, Tom Lally).
[**20**] High count from five locations.
Reported in 37 counties (N:17, C:14, S:6). 5 yr. avg. = 47.0 cos.

American Goldfinch

[**1,842**] WaukeganB, *11 Oct.* (Adam Sell).
[**412**] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *18 Oct.* (T I).
[**395**] NPointMarina, *21 Nov.* (Eric Walters).
Reported in 99 counties (N:24, C:40, S:35). 5 yr. avg. = 98.2 cos.

Lapland Longspur

[**21 Sep.**] (1) GreeneVal (J.A. Smith, Mike Madsen).
[**26 Sep.**] (1) Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (Lisa Maier).
[**27 Sep.**] (1) Montrose (Robert Hughes).
[**3000**] CarlyleL-B, *27 Nov.* (Dan Kassebaum).
[**575**] Arcola US (Coles Co), *5 Nov.* (Tyler Funk).
[**350**] SantaFeBtms, *27 Nov.* (Mark Seiffert).
[**300**] Penfield (Champaign Co), *8 Nov.* (Aerin Tedesco).
Reported in 37 counties (N:12, C:16, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 33.4 cos.

Smith's Longspur

[1] ILBeachSP, *25 Sep.* (Stephen Mitten, Helen Fournet).
Reported in 1 county (N:1, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 1.2 cos.

Snow Bunting

[**22 Oct.**] (1) GreeneVal (Ann Letzel, J.A. Smith).
[**23 Oct.**] (1) Montrose (Terry Walsh, Kevin Lin).
[**24 Oct.**] (1) NPointMarina (m.ob.).
[**70**] NPointMarina, *4 Nov.* (Peter Weber, Crystal Abbate).
[**55**] GreeneVal, *19 Nov.* (J.A. Smith).
Reported in 11 counties (N:10, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 12.6 cos.

Grasshopper Sparrow

[7] Foster Rd (Peoria Co), *4 Aug.* (Pete Fenner, Maury Brucker).
[5] Havana (Mason Co), *8 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[**9 Oct.**] (1) Nachusa (Andrew Dreelin, Carly Crow).
[**9 Oct.**] (1) Saybrook HA (McLean Co) (Pirmin Nietlisbach).
[**16 Oct.**] (1) West Branch FP (DuPage Co) (Haley Gottardo).
Reported in 13 counties (N:5, C:7, S:1). 5 yr. avg. = 19.6 cos.

Chipping Sparrow

[**103**] Big River SF (Henderson Co), *8 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberst).
[**50**] L Pittsfield (Pike Co), *24 Oct.* (Colin Dobson).
[**40**] CarlyleL-C, *25 Sep.* (m.ob.).
Reported in 92 counties (N:23, C:35, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 89.0 cos.

Clay-colored Sparrow

[**23 Aug.**] (1) ILBeachSP (Andrew Stewart).
[**28 Aug.**] (2) Goose L NA (McHenry Co) (Jeff Aufmann).
[3] Goose L NA (McHenry Co), *5 Sep.* (Jeff Aufmann, Nikhil K.).
[**17 Oct.**] (1) Jarvis (Kelly Bartek).
[**23 Oct.**] (1) GooseLPra (Matt Misewicz).
Reported in 13 counties (N:10, C:3, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 12.6 cos.

Field Sparrow

[**35**] Pk 566, *2 Oct.* (Dan Lory).
[**24**] Middle Fork River FP (Champaign Co), *14 Aug.* (Michael Ward).
[**23**] Waukegan (Lake Co), *8 Oct.* (unknown).
Reported in 88 counties (N:22, C:33, S:33). 5 yr. avg. = 80.8 cos.

Lark Sparrow

[3] Havana (Mason Co), *8 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[**1 Sep.**] (1) DickYoungNL (Brock Moran, Kevin Sciurba).
[**8 Sep.**] (1) PeacockM (Jayne L).
Reported in 11 counties (N:7, C:2, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 11.0 cos.

American Tree Sparrow

[**3 Oct.**] (1) Evanston (Cook Co) (Arden Davidson).
[**5 Oct.**] (1) LincolnPk (Mark Luscombe).
[**80**] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), *21 Nov.* (Amanda Tichacek, Jeff Bilsky).
[**80**] Pk 566, *21 Nov.* (Joy Wang).
[**75**] LCalumet, *24 Nov.* (Carl Giometti).
Reported in 58 counties (N:23, C:23, S:12). 5 yr. avg. = 57.4 cos.

Fox Sparrow

[**21 Sep.**] (2) Princeton (Bureau Co) (Scott Harp).
[**25 Sep.**] (2) LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co) (Marian Runk).
[**25 Sep.**] (1) NW Univ (Cook Co) (Peter Walton).
[**25**] LCalumet, *30 Oct.* (Carl Giometti).
[**19**] Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), *18 Oct.* (Jeff Bilsky).
[**15**] Montrose, *21 Oct.* (Kevin Lin).
Reported in 61 counties (N:22, C:23, S:16). 5 yr. avg. = 58.2 cos.

Dark-eyed Junco

[**8 Sep.**] (1) Montrose (Scott Judd, T I).
[**14 Sep.**] (1) CarlyleL-F (Mark Seiffert).
[**390**] CalumetPk, *17 Oct.* (Walter Marcisz).
[**250**] Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), *18 Oct.* (Jeff Bilsky).
[**150**] Montrose, *17 Oct.* (Kevin Lin).
[**150**] Washington Pk, Chi, *15 Oct.* (Jacob Drucker).
Reported in 96 counties (N:24, C:38, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 89.4 cos.

White-crowned Sparrow

[**31 Aug.**] (1) Jarvis (Karen Gibson).
[**15 Sep.**] (1) DouglasPk, Chi (Eric D Gyllenhaal).
[**15 Sep.**] (1) Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (Barbara Laughlin-Karon, Laura Simpson).
[**80**] Emiquon, *1 Nov.* (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
[**62**] James Pk (Cook Co), *21 Oct.* (Fran Morel).
[**50**] ILBeachSP, *9 Oct.* (Jeff Bilsky).
Reported in 83 counties (N:21, C:32, S:30). 5 yr. avg. = 74.2 cos.

Harris's Sparrow

[**26 Sep.**] (1) Pk 566 (Cook Co) (Margaret Dyekman).
[**13 Oct.**] (1) Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (Al Stokie, Jerry Hampton, Peter Weber).
[2] James Pk (Cook Co), *21 Oct.* (m.ob.).
[**25 Oct.**] (1) Hoover FP (Kendall Co) (Charles Shields).
[**5 Nov.**] (1) Queen of Heaven Cem (Cook Co) (Douglas Stotz).
Reported in 4 counties (N:3, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 4.0 cos.

White-throated Sparrow

[**25 Aug.**] (1) Burnham Pk (Cook Co) (Keith Bowers, Neil Brown).
[**6 Sep.**] (3) L Shore East Pk (Cook Co) (Aaron Gyllenhaal).
[**6 Sep.**] (1) Berwyn (Cook Co) (Donna Kielbasinski).
[**300**] Mackinaw River SFWA (Tazewell Co), *20 Oct.* (Bert Foquet).
[**220**] CalumetPk, *17 Oct.* (Walter Marcisz).
Reported in 97 counties (N:24, C:38, S:35). 5 yr. avg. = 88.4 cos.

Vesper Sparrow

[**11**] Big River SF (Henderson Co), *8 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberst).
[4] Findlay (Shelby Co), *31 Oct.* (Scott Robinson).
[**9 Nov.**] (1) Beaver Dam SP (Macoupin Co) (Brent Schindewolf).
[**13 Nov.**] (1) Allendale Gravel (Lawrence Co) (Steven Lima).
[**18 Nov.**] (1) Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co) (Frank Holmes).
Reported in 42 counties (N:18, C:16, S:8). 5 yr. avg. = 40.0 cos.

LeConte's Sparrow

[**12 Sep.**] (1) Pk 566 (Carl Giometti).
[4] Pk 566, *16 Oct.* (m.ob.).
[**1 Nov.**] (2) TinleyCrkWet (Woody Goss).
[**5 Nov.**] (1) Bartel (Peter Lowther).
Reported in 17 counties (N:9, C:8, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 20.4 cos.

Nelson's Sparrow

[**11 Sep.**] (1) LCalumet (m.ob.).
[**12 Sep.**] (1) Montrose (Alison Newberry, Audrey Carl, Matt Sparapani).
[**12 Sep.**] (2) Pk 566 (Carl Giometti).
[**10**] Rainbow B, Chi, *15 Oct.* (Woody Goss).
[8] RollinsSav, *29 Sep.* (Beau Schaefer).
[**23 Oct.**] (1) Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (Krzysztof Kuryłowicz).
[**9 Nov.**] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (Nancy Buis).
Reported in 13 counties (N:9, C:4, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 14.0 cos.

Savannah Sparrow

[50] Rainbow B, Chi, 9 Oct. (Woody Goss).
[50] Sauder Rd Pra (Tazewell Co), 12 Oct. (Bert Foquet).
[45] Pra Green (Kane Co), 3 Oct. (Matthew Wistrand).
Reported in 65 counties (N:20, C:25, S:20). 5 yr. avg. = 59.2 cos.

Henslow’s Sparrow

[20] GooseLPra, 5 Aug. (Matt Misewicz).
[10] Orland Grassland (Cook Co), 11 Aug. (Woody Goss).
[18 Oct.] (1) DeerGrove (Shirley Pulgar-Hughes).
[22 Oct.] (1) Petersburg (Menard Co) (Michael Morin).
[29 Oct.] (1) Robert Ridgeway Grasslands (Jasper Co) (Chace Scholten).
Reported in 23 counties (N:13, C:8, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 25.4 cos.

Song Sparrow

[43] Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 9 Oct. (Jeff Aufmann, Lisa Maier).
[39] SpringbrookPra, 2 Oct. (Urs Geiser).
[35] Emiquon, 1 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
Reported in 97 counties (N:24, C:39, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 90.6 cos.

Lincoln’s Sparrow

[3 Sep.] (1) Washington Pk, Chi (Lu Wei).
[21] Pk 566, 10 Oct. (Dan Hayes).
[11] ILBeachSP, 9 Oct. (Jeff Bilsky).
[10] Chicago Women’s Pk (Cook Co), 23 Sep. (Carl Giometti).
[10] Emiquon, 1 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
[8 Nov.] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (Nancy Buis).
[27 Nov.] (1) L&D 21 (Phil Reyburn).
[28 Nov.] (1) Union Co (Joy O’Keefe, Mark Vukovich).
Reported in 56 counties (N:20, C:24, S:12). 5 yr. avg. = 49.8 cos.

Swamp Sparrow

[70] Pk 566, 16 Oct. (m.ob.).
[60] Emiquon, 1 Nov. (Colin Dobson, Scott Robinson).
[55] Montrose, 13 Oct. (Howard Blum).
Reported in 86 counties (N:23, C:33, S:30). 5 yr. avg. = 74.0 cos.

Eastern Towhee

[34] Big River SF (Henderson Co), 8 Sep. (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberst).
[17] BraidwoodL, 5 Aug. (Jed Hertz).
[12] ILBeachSP, 9 Oct. (Jeff Bilsky).
Reported in 86 counties (N:23, C:31, S:32). 5 yr. avg. = 84.6 cos.

Yellow-breasted Chat

[3] Casey (Coles Co), 1 Aug. (Ruth Riegel).
[3] GooseLPra, 5 Aug. (Matt Misewicz).
[20 Sep.] (1) Petersburg (Menard Co) (Michael Morin).
[26 Sep.] (1) Edwards Co (Shelby Robert).
[14 Oct.] (1) Montrose (Kevin Lin).
Reported in 22 counties (N:9, C:5, S:8). 5 yr. avg. = 20.8 cos.

Yellow-headed Blackbird

[1] DixonWR, 25 Aug. (Katy Banning).
[1] Goose L NA (McHenry Co), 8 Aug. (Jacob Vinsel).
[1] St Anthony Church (Adams Co), 26 Oct. (Alice Rakers).
[26 Oct.] (1) St Anthony Church (Adams Co) (Alice Rakers).
Reported in 3 counties (N:2, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 5.2 cos.

Bobolink

[45] Emiquon, 12 Sep. (m.ob.).
[35] Pine Dunes FP (Lake Co), 21 Aug. (Paul Senner).
[30] Alexander Co, 8 Sep. (Ida Domazlicky).
[16 Oct.] (5) GreeneVal (J.A. Smith).
[17 Oct.] (3) SpringL (Bert Foquet).
[19 Oct.] (1) Montrose (Simon Knuth).
Reported in 28 counties (N:15, C:9, S:4). 5 yr. avg. = 21.6 cos.

Western Meadowlark

[10] CarlyleL-C, 20 Nov. (Dan Kassebaum).
[2] LostMound, 4 Sep. (Ethan Brown).
[2] Rochelle (Lee Co), 13 Oct. (Ryan Jones).
[13 Oct.] (2) Rochelle (Lee Co) (Ryan Jones).
[19 Nov.] (1) Rutland (LaSalle Co) (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).
Reported in 7 counties (N:6, C:1, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 6.4 cos.

Eastern Meadowlark

[35] Pra Ridge SNA (Marion Co), 26 Sep. (Michael Heaney).
[30] Sauder Rd Pra (Tazewell Co), 24 Sep. (Bert Foquet).
[28] Foster Rd Pastures (Peoria Co), 5 Aug. (Dennis Endicott).
Reported in 81 counties (N:21, C:31, S:29). 5 yr. avg. = 78.0 cos.

Orchard Oriole

[5] Emiquon, 4 Aug. (Lars Jones).
[5] WaterfallGlen, 1 Aug. (Albert Legzdins).
[1 Sep.] (1) Mendota (LaSalle Co) (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).
[9 Sep.] (1) ILBeachSP (Paul Sweet).
Reported in 34 counties (N:13, C:14, S:7). 5 yr. avg. = 27.8 cos.

Baltimore Oriole

[17] NorthPond, 13 Aug. (Steve Huggins).
[15] Powerton L (Tazewell Co), 25 Aug. (Bert Foquet).
[12] DixonWR, 12 Aug. (Zach Skubiszewski).
[15 Oct.] (1) Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (Mark Seiffert).
[27 Nov.] (1) Urbana (Brody Dunn, Rachel Vinsel, Rob Kanter).
Reported in 70 counties (N:22, C:27, S:21). 5 yr. avg. = 58.8 cos.

Red-winged Blackbird

[49,500] Watershed NC (Madison Co), 27 Nov. (Chris Anderson).
[9,600] Ottawa (LaSalle Co), 26 Nov. (Alyssa, Diana, & Gene Rod).
[9,506] MississippiR (Whiteside), 29 Sep. (Kelly McKay).
Reported in 100 counties (N:23, C:40, S:37). 5 yr. avg. = 93.0 cos.

Brown-headed Cowbird

[3,000] Annawan (Henry Co), 7 Sep. (David Johnson).
[1,500] Griggsville (Pike Co), 10 Sep. (Nathan Goldberg).
[820] Gridley WTP (McLean Co), 18 Sep. (Matthew Winks, Michael Retter).
Reported in 89 counties (N:24, C:33, S:32). 5 yr. avg. = 76.2 cos.

Rusty Blackbird

[8 Sep.] (4) WaukeganB (Linda Lutz).
[15 Sep.] (1) Montrose (Frank Geilen).
[16 Sep.] (1) ChainOLSP (Richard Hugel).
[150] CarpentersD, 7 Nov. (David Johnson).
[110] Fox R Shores FP (Kane Co), 6 Nov. (Walt Lutz).
[100] KiddLMarsh, 23 Nov. (Pam Bruns, Ken Smith).
Reported in 37 counties (N:16, C:14, S:7). 5 yr. avg. = 34.8 cos.

Brewer’s Blackbird

[400] CarlyleL-C, 7 Nov. (Dan Kassebaum).
[230] Tamalco Twp (Bond Co), 28 Nov. (Mark Seiffert).
[75] KiddLMarsh, 23 Nov. (Pam Bruns, Ken Smith).
Reported in 19 counties (N:9, C:5, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 18.2 cos.

Common Grackle

[10,000] HorseshoeLSP, 28 Nov. (Frank Holmes).
[9,000] QuadCities, 27 Nov. (Kelly McKay).
[6,900] McHenry (McHenry Co), 8 Nov. (Lisa Maier).
Reported in 93 counties (N:23, C:37, S:33). 5 yr. avg. = 83.4 cos.

Ovenbird

[31] Big River SF (Henderson Co), 8 Sep. (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberst).
[14] Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co), 5 Sep. (John Longhenry).
[9 Nov.] (1) Pk 566 (Dan Lory).
[9 Nov.] (1) Riis Pk, Chi (Eric D Gyllenhaal).
[10 Nov.] (1) UIC, Chi (Hazem Alkhan).
Reported in 74 counties (N:23, C:28, S:23). 5 yr. avg. = 49.0 cos.

Worm-eating Warbler

[2] CrabOrchard, 23 Aug. (Tina Pryor).
[2] Pomona, 4 Aug. (Giuseppe ‘Joe’ Cesolini).
[2] Ragan Rd (Pope Co), 4 Aug. (Nathan Goldberg).
[1 Sep.] (1) Carbondale (Williamson Co) (Dan Wylie).
[25 Sep.] (1) Milles Fleurs NP (Monroe Co) (Carl & Pen Daubach).
[28 Sep.] (1) Marion (Williamson Co) (Tina Pryor).
Reported in 9 counties (N:0, C:2, S:7). 5 yr. avg. = 4.8 cos.

Louisiana Waterthrush

[19 Aug.] (1) Westwood Pk (Tazewell Co) (Bert Foquet).
[25 Aug.] (1) DixonWR (Scott Harp).
Reported in 11 counties (N:3, C:2, S:6). 5 yr. avg. = 5.2 cos.

Northern Waterthrush

[**29 Jul.**] (1) NorthPond (Steve Huggins).
[**1 Aug.**] (1) DuPage Co (Mayumi & Stan Barrack, Stephen Constantelos).
[**5 Aug.**] (1) ILBeachSP (Andrew Stewart).
[**19**] Montrose, *23 Sep.* (Charles Collier).
[**11**] LincolnPk, *11 Sep.* (Harrison Bruch).
[**10**] Worley L (Tazewell Co), *15 Sep.* (Bert Foquet).
[**21 Oct.**] (1) Proksa Pk (Cook Co) (unknown).
[**3 Nov.**] (1) Illinois State Univ (McLean Co) (Pirmin Nietlisbach).
Reported in 43 counties (N:20, C:12, S:11). 5 yr. avg. = 32.8 cos.

Golden-winged Warbler

[**14 Aug.**] (1) Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co) (John Longhenry).
[**15 Aug.**] (2) LowellPk (Lee Co) (Tom Doig).
[**21**] MissPalisades, *3 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Tammy Loussaert).
[**8**] Black Hawk Forest NP (Rock Island Co), *4 Sep.* (William & Gayla Hickerson).
[**7**] MissPalisades, *4 Sep.* (Tony Moline).
[**30 Sep.**] (1) Pomona (Rhonda Rothrock).
[**8 Oct.**] (1) ILBeachSP (Andrew Stewart).
[**10 Oct.**] (1) Perkins Wds (Cook Co) (Yonatan Simkovich).
Reported in 56 counties (N:21, C:18, S:17). 5 yr. avg. = 42.6 cos.

Blue-winged Warbler

[**5 Aug.**] (1) Lusk Crk Wilderness (Pope Co) (Lars Jones).
[**11 Aug.**] (1) Carroll Co (Ethan Brown).
[**30 Sep.**] (1) Rock Springs Center (Macon Co) (Kristen Ragusa).
[**16 Oct.**] (1) LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co) (Marian Runk).
Reported in 44 counties (N:16, C:16, S:12). 5 yr. avg. = 31.0 cos.

Black-and-white Warbler

[**26 Jul.**] (1) SongbirdSl (Luis Munoz).
[**30 Jul.**] (1) Danada FP (DuPage Co) (Karen & Michael Warner).
[**14**] Montrose, *13 Sep.* (Johnny Doley).
[**13**] MissPalisades, *3 Sep.* (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Tammy Loussaert).
[**12**] Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), *17 Sep.* (Ron Bradley).
[**15 Oct.**] (1) Crystal L (Champaign Co) (Christopher Hensel, Lorenzo D'Alessio).
[**20 Oct.**] (1) Montrose (Jake Archbell).
[**22 Oct.**] (1) GrantPk (David Willard).
Reported in 84 counties (N:23, C:33, S:28). 5 yr. avg. = 67.8 cos.

Prothonotary Warbler

[**7**] MermetL, *7 Aug.* (Keith Bowers).
[**6**] SpunkyBtms, *4 Aug.* (Colin Dobson).
[**6**] TwoRivers, *15 Aug.* (m.ob.).
[**10 Sep.**] (1) Carrollton (Greene Co) (Nathan Goldberg).
[**18 Sep.**] (1) Bluff Rd Wet (Clark Co) (Steven Lima).
[**22 Sep.**] (1) HeronPond (Anne Parmley).
Reported in 38 counties (N:6, C:13, S:19). 5 yr. avg. = 28.0 cos.

Tennessee Warbler

[**12 Jul.**] (1) The Coach House (Cook Co) (Amanda Zeigler, Josh Engel).
[**50**] Worley L (Tazewell Co), *9 Sep.* (Bert Foquet).
[**45**] Centennial Trail (DuPage Co), *9 Sep.* (Graham Deese).
[**28**] Jon J Duerr FP (Kane Co), *21 Sep.* (Walt Lutz).
[**28**] LCharleston, *29 Sep.* (Vern Wilkins).
[**17 Nov.**] (1) BuseyWds (Grant Witynski).
[**19 Nov.**] (1) CarlyleWTP (Mark Seiffert).
Reported in 83 counties (N:24, C:32, S:27). 5 yr. avg. = 71.6 cos.

Orange-crowned Warbler

[**26 Aug.**] (1) Worley L (Tazewell Co) (Bert Foquet).
[**31 Aug.**] (1) Elsens Hill (John Leonard).
[**5 Sep.**] (7) Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co) (Tyler Funk).
[**15**] Ewing Pk, Bloomington , *16 Oct.* (Keith Corliss).
[**8**] L Pittsfield (Pike Co), *24 Oct.* (Colin Dobson).
Reported in 59 counties (N:19, C:21, S:19). 5 yr. avg. = 51.8 cos.

Nashville Warbler

[**14 Aug.**] (1) LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co) (Neil Brown).
[**21 Aug.**] (1) Montrose (Fran Morel).
[**20**] Washington Pk, Chi, *5 Sep.* (Barton Wicksted).
[**18**] Ryerson, *10 Sep.* (John Leonard).
[**17 Nov.**] (1) BuseyWds (Grant Witynski).
[**21 Nov.**] (1) Burnham Wildlife Corridor (Cook Co) (Isoo O'Brien).
Reported in 77 counties (N:23, C:32, S:22). 5 yr. avg. = 59.2 cos.

Connecticut Warbler

[**26 Aug.**] (1) ChiBotanicG (Maureen Murphy).
[**26 Aug.**] (1) Pk 566 (Dan Lory).
[**28 Aug.**] (1) Blackhawk Pk (Edgar Co) (Steven Lima).
[**28 Aug.**] (1) Burnham Pk (Cook Co) (Linda Radtke, Zach Weinstein).
[**2**] GrantPk, *6 Sep.* (David Willard).
[**2**] Jarvis, *11 Sep.* (Max Witynski).
[**2**] Pk 566, *5 Sep.* (Dan Lory, Harumi Lory).
[**2**] WhalonL, *6 Sep.* (Mike Madsen).
[**9 Oct.**] (1) JacksonPk (Ryan Fuller).
[**10 Oct.**] (1) Rainbow B, Chi (Dan Hayes).
[**14 Oct.**] (1) Oak Park (Cook Co) (David Wachtel).
Reported in 12 counties (N:8, C:4, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 11.2 cos.

Mourning Warbler

[**11 Aug.**] (5) Centennial Pk (Cook Co) (Nancy Buis).
[**12 Aug.**] (1) Montrose (Frank Geilen, Geoffrey A. Williamson, Sean Kennedy).
[**13 Aug.**] (1) NorthPond (Steve Huggins).
[**5**] Centennial Pk (Cook Co), *11 Aug.* (Nancy Buis).
[**3**] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), *28 Aug.* (Jeff Bilsky).
[**4 Oct.**] (1) Sam Parr SP (Jasper Co) (Steven Lima).
[**7 Oct.**] (1) Montrose (Amanda Zeigler, Josh Engel).
[**14 Oct.**] (1) Sand Bluff (Winnebago Co) (John Longhenry).
Reported in 21 counties (N:10, C:6, S:5). 5 yr. avg. = 16.6 cos.

Kentucky Warbler

[**2**] Dog Run Holler Rd (Clark Co), *27 Aug.* (Steven Lima).
[**2**] Grantsburg (Johnson Co), *2 Aug.* (C Morvich).
[**19 Sep.**] (1) Milles Fleurs NP (Monroe Co) (Carl & Pen Daubach).
[**30 Sep.**] (1) Watershed NC (Madison Co) (Nick Wells).
[**20 Oct.**] (1) Hickory Knolls NA (Kane Co) (Wally Levernier).
Reported in 16 counties (N:3, C:3, S:10). 5 yr. avg. = 13.0 cos.

Common Yellowthroat

[**25**] RollinsSav, *11 Sep.* (Beau Schaefer, Jeff Bilsky).
[**22**] Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co), *10 Sep.* (unknown).
[**9 Nov.**] (1) LincolnPk (Matthew Igleski).
[**20 Nov.**] (1) SpringbrookPra (Emma H).
[**22 Nov.**] (1) Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co) (Isoo O'Brien).
Reported in 91 counties (N:23, C:34, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 81.6 cos.

Hooded Warbler

[**3**] Ragan Rd (Pope Co), *4 Aug.* (Nathan Goldberg).
[**25 Sep.**] (1) Techny Basin CA (Cook Co) (T I).
[**26 Sep.**] (1) Linne Wds FP (Cook Co) (Tom Lally).
Reported in 12 counties (N:5, C:5, S:2). 5 yr. avg. = 10.4 cos.

American Redstart

[**48**] SaltCrkWds, *6 Sep.* (Douglas Stotz).
[**45**] UIUC (Champaign Co), *22 Sep.* (Colin Dobson).
[**39**] Montrose, *5 Sep.* (Krzysztof Kurylowicz).
[**23 Oct.**] (1) Montrose (David Assmann).
[**1 Nov.**] (1) 50-Acre Pk (Cook Co) (Katie Milewski).
Reported in 85 counties (N:24, C:37, S:24). 5 yr. avg. = 75.8 cos.

Cape May Warbler

[**14 Aug.**] (1) DouglasPk, Chi (Eric D Gyllenhaal).
[**15 Aug.**] (1) LowellPk (Lee Co) (Tom Doig).
[**16**] Bloomington, *22 Sep.* (Benjamin Guo).
[**12**] NorthPond, *26 Aug.* (Steve Huggins).
[**10**] Jarvis, *10 Sep.* (Kelly Bartek, Kevin Lin).
[**14 Oct.**] (1) MonroeH, Chi (Benjamin Swanson).
[**14 Oct.**] (1) NorthPond (Woody Goss).
[**15 Oct.**] (1) UIC, Chi (Hazem Alkhan).
Reported in 54 counties (N:20, C:25, S:9). 5 yr. avg. = 36.2 cos.

Cerulean Warbler

[**1**] ClintonL , *5 Sep.* (Jim Mountjoy).
[**1**] Downers Grove (DuPage Co), *6 Sep.* (Matthew Hejna).
[**1**] Ewing Pk, Bloomington , *11 Aug.* (Bill Davison).
[**1**] MissPalisades, *27 Aug.* (Ethan Brown).
[**6 Sep.**] (1) Downers Grove (DuPage Co) (Matthew Hejna).
Reported in 5 counties (N:2, C:3, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 36.2 cos.

Northern Parula

[8] Bemis Wds (Cook Co), *29 Sep.* (Matt Zuro).
[7] CrabOrchard, *4 Sep.* (Colin Dobson, Nathan Goldberg).
[7] Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), *15 Sep.* (Ron Bradley).
[7] LCharleston, *27 Sep.* (Ron Bradley, Vern Wilkins).
[12 Oct.] (1) Gillson (Amanda Zeigler, Josh Engel).
[12 Oct.] (1) LincolnPk (Matthew Igleski).
Reported in 73 counties (N:20, C:25, S:28). 5 yr. avg. = 48.6 cos.

Magnolia Warbler

[13 Aug.] (1) Montrose (Matthew Cvetas, Matthew Dolkart).
[25] UIUC (Champaign Co), *22 Sep.* (Colin Dobson).
[20] Montrose, *6 Sep.* (Janet Pellegrini, Jayne L, Linda Radtke).
[20] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), *26 Sep.* (m.ob.).
[19 Oct.] (1) Chi Portage Wds (Cook Co) (Lisa Rest).
[31 Oct.] (1) Crystal L (Champaign Co) (Brody Dunn, Colin Dobson, Roger Digges).
Reported in 84 counties (N:24, C:33, S:27). 5 yr. avg. = 68.8 cos.

Bay-breasted Warbler

[14 Aug.] (1) Montrose (Graham Deese).
[19 Aug.] (1) LCharleston (Abbey Marsmaker).
[28] LCharleston, *29 Sep.* (Vern Wilkins).
[20] HomerL, *4 Sep.* (Grant Witynski, Ian Souza-Cole, Michael Ward).
[20] Montrose, *2 Oct.* (Audrey Carl, Leo Miller).
[19 Oct.] (1) The Coach House (Cook Co) (Josh Engel).
[21 Oct.] (1) Champaign (Champaign Co) (Aerin Tedesco).
Reported in 78 counties (N:24, C:29, S:25). 5 yr. avg. = 52.8 cos.

Blackburnian Warbler

[12 Aug.] (1) Galesburg (Knox Co) (Rachel Purdy).
[12 Aug.] (1) NorthPond (Steve Huggins).
[6] LCharleston, *29 Sep.* (Vern Wilkins).
[6] MissPalisades, *25 Aug.* (Daniel Bellich).
[12 Oct.] (2) Constitution Trail (McLean Co) (unknown).
[12 Oct.] (1) Gillson (Amanda Zeigler, Josh Engel).
[13 Oct.] (1) JacksonPk (Jacob Drucker).
Reported in 74 counties (N:22, C:29, S:23). 5 yr. avg. = 47.4 cos.

Yellow Warbler

[8] Des Plaines R Tr (Lake Co), *6 Sep.* (Kirsten Van Dyke).
[8] LCalumet, *7 Aug.* (Stephanie Beilke).
[22 Sep.] (1) LDecatur (Travis Mahan).
[2 Oct.] (1) Montrose (Adolfo Castro).
Reported in 49 counties (N:18, C:17, S:14). 5 yr. avg. = 37.4 cos.

Chestnut-sided Warbler

[4 Aug.] (1) Ogle Co (Russ Cline).
[12 Aug.] (1) Montrose (Geoffrey A. Williamson).
[15] UIUC (Champaign Co), *22 Sep.* (Colin Dobson).
[14] Walnut Point SP (Douglas Co), *9 Sep.* (Vern Wilkins).
[14 Oct.] (2) Constitution Trail (McLean Co) (unknown).
[14 Oct.] (1) Oakhurst FP (Kane Co) (Wesley Sadler).
Reported in 82 counties (N:24, C:33, S:25). 5 yr. avg. = 59.2 cos.

Blackpoll Warbler

[19 Aug.] (1) Skokie River Pr (Lake Co) (Maureen Marsh).
[20 Aug.] (1) Marengo Ridge CA (McHenry Co) (Eric Secker).
[21 Aug.] (1) Montrose (Graham Deese).
[18] Montrose, *8 Sep.* (Robert Hughes).
[18] Rainbow B, Chi, *9 Sep.* (Nathan Goldberg).
[15] ILBeachSP, *11 Sep.* (Robert Hughes).
[15] NorthPond, *19 Sep.* (Steve Huggins).
[22 Oct.] (1) Montrose (Kevin Lin).
[23 Oct.] (1) Mem Pk Cem (Cook Co) (John Bates).
Reported in 51 counties (N:23, C:16, S:12). 5 yr. avg. = 40.2 cos.

Black-throated Blue Warbler

[22 Aug.] (1) Stillman NC (Cook Co) (Mike Levin).
[25 Aug.] (1) Franklin Crk SP (Lee Co) (Tom Doig).
[25 Aug.] (1) NorthPond (Steve Huggins).
[5] Montrose, *5 Sep.* (Dan Hayes, Johnny Doley).
[5] Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), *26 Sep.* (Jeff Bilsky).
[14 Oct.] Late date at four locations.
Reported in 30 counties (N:18, C:9, S:3). 5 yr. avg. = 21.4 cos.

Palm Warbler

[26 Aug.] (1) ILBeachSP (Andrew Stewart, Rob Birnberg).
[27 Aug.] (1) Spring Valley NS (Cook Co) (Shirley Pulgar-Hughes).
[75] Burnham Pk (Cook Co), *25 Sep.* (Woody Goss).
[65] Rainbow B, Chi, *7 Oct.* (Isoo O'Brien).
[65] WaukeganB, *11 Oct.* (Glenn Giacinto).
[13 Nov.] (1) Jarvis (Nathan Goldberg).
[19 Nov.] (1) WaukeganB (Philip Vogrinc).
Reported in 67 counties (N:22, C:27, S:18). 5 yr. avg. = 59.2 cos.

Pine Warbler

[6] Lusk Crk Wilderness (Pope Co), *5 Aug.* (Iars Jones).
[4] Sahara Wds SFWA (Saline Co), *4 Sep.* (Nathan Goldberg).
[14 Nov.] (1) Montrose (m.ob.).
[23 Nov.] (1) L House (Randolph Co) (Leslie Jenkins).
Reported in 37 counties (N:14, C:11, S:12). 5 yr. avg. = 33.8 cos.

Yellow-rumped Warbler

[15 Aug.] (1) Jarvis (Kelly Bartek).
[22 Aug.] (1) Jon J Duerr FP (Kane Co) (Walt Lutz).
[100] Helmick NP (Cook Co), *8 Oct.* (Isoo O'Brien).
[85] Jon J Duerr FP (Kane Co), *5 Oct.* (Walt Lutz).
[80] ILBeachSP, *21 Oct.* (Peter Weber).
Reported in 94 counties (N:24, C:36, S:34). 5 yr. avg. = 86.2 cos.

Yellow-throated Warbler

[27 Sep.] (1) Grantsburg (Johnson Co) (C Morvich).
[3 Oct.] (1) White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (Olivia Sandbothe).
[9 Oct.] (1) LSpringfield (Ian Souza-Cole, Michael Ward, Mike Avara).
Reported in 43 counties (N:13, C:12, S:18). 5 yr. avg. = 30.2 cos.

Prairie Warbler

[15 Sep.] (1) Worley Lake (Tazewell Co) (Bert Foquet).
[22 Sep.] (1) Hidden L FP (DuPage Co) (Joan Campbell).
[23 Sep.] (1) Grantsburg (Johnson Co) (C Morvich).
Reported in 14 counties (N:3, C:4, S:7). 5 yr. avg. = 8.2 cos.

Black-throated Green Warbler

[10 Aug.] (1) NorthPond (Steve Huggins).
[17 Aug.] (1) Champaign (Aerin Tedesco).
[18 Aug.] (1) Urbana (Roger Digges).
[30] Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), *26 Sep.* (m.ob.).
[14] LCharleston, *27 Sep.* (Ron Bradley).
[31 Oct.] (1) Edwardsville (Madison Co) (David Webb).
[31 Oct.] (1) Little Grassy L (Williamson Co) (Mike Heine).
[8 Nov.] (1) Glen Ellyn (DuPage Co) (Jody Zamirowski).
Reported in 84 counties (N:24, C:33, S:27). 5 yr. avg. = 68.4 cos.

Canada Warbler

[6 Aug.] (1) GreeneVal (Andrew and Rebecca Steinmann).
[6 Aug.] (1) Spencer CA (Boone Co) (Don & Ted Hartzler).
[12 Aug.] Early arrival date at three locations.
[4] Black Hawk Forest NP (Rock Island Co), *24 Aug.* (Steven Freed).
[3] Montrose, *28 Aug.* (Corey Wagner).
[3] Spencer CA (Boone Co), *6 Sep.* (Andrew Dreelin, Nathan Goldberg).
[26 Sep.] (1) Eastport Marina (Tazewell Co) (Dra Wiersema).
[29 Sep.] (1) O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (Marsha Fulton).
[2 Oct.] (1) Jubilee Farm (Sangamon Co) (Jim Mordacq).
Reported in 42 counties (N:18, C:16, S:8). 5 yr. avg. = 28.6 cos.

Wilson's Warbler

[7 Aug.] (1) SteelworkersPk (Katharine Spencer, Larry S. Krutulis, Madhu N).
[21 Aug.] (3) Ewing Pk, Bloomington (Bode Thompson).
[22 Aug.] (1) Valley of Eden BS (Jo Daviess Co) (Daniel Bellich).
[8] Chicago Women's Pk (Cook Co), *3 Sep.* (Carl Giometti).
[6] Montrose, *29 Aug.* (Krzysztof Kurylowicz).
[8 Oct.] (1) Air Station Pra (Cook Co) (Suzanne Checchia).
[8 Oct.] (1) AllertonPk (Nathan Beccue).
[15 Oct.] (1) Champaign (Aerin Tedesco).
[15 Oct.] (1) LincolnPk (Matthew Igleski).
Reported in 45 counties (N:20, C:14, S:11). 5 yr. avg. = 38.2 cos.

Summer Tanager

[9] Big River SF (Henderson Co), 9 Sep. (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts).
[7] HeronPond, 26 Sep. (Katy Banning, Kimberly Rohling).
[5] Ragan Rd (Pope Co), 4 Aug. (Nathan Goldberg).
[5] ShawneeNF (Saline Co), 14 Sep. (Cathy DeNeal).
[17 Oct.] (1) Marion (Williamson Co) (Tina Pryor).
[17 Oct.] (1) Pomona (Rhonda Rothrock).
[17 Oct.] (1) Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co) (Tyler Funk).
Reported in 60 counties (N:13, C:21, S:26). 5 yr. avg. = 51.2 cos.

Scarlet Tanager

[10] Ragan Rd (Pope Co), 4 Aug. (Nathan Goldberg).
[6] Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), 17 Sep. (Ron Bradley).
[5] GreeneVal, 8 Sep. (Urs Geiser).
[15 Oct.] (1) Burnham Pk (Cook Co) (Brooke Wetmore).
[15 Oct.] (1) LtlRedSchlH (m.ob.).
[17 Oct.] (1) SaltCrkWds (Alan Seelye-James).
[18 Oct.] (1) Oak Park (Cook Co) (Eric Stenstrom).
Reported in 66 counties (N:22, C:24, S:20). 5 yr. avg. = 49.8 cos.

Northern Cardinal

[60] No Name Pk (Madison Co), 11 Nov. (Brent Schindewolf).
[38] Milles Fleurs NP (Monroe Co), 25 Sep. (Carl & Pen Daubach).
[33] Morton Grove (Cook Co), 26 Oct. (Steve & Denise Doctor).
Reported in 101 counties (N:24, C:40, S:37). 5 yr. avg. = 99.8 cos.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

[50] Geneva (Kane Co), 8 Sep. (Scott Cohrs).
[41] Big River SF (Henderson Co), 9 Sep. (Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts).
[22] Potawatomi Wds FP (DeKalb Co), 9 Sep. (Andrew Dreelin).
[22] Union Co, 26 Sep. (Joy O’Keefe, Mark Vukovich).
[31 Oct.] (1) Montrose (Seth Konner).
[11 Nov.] (1) Urbana (Roger Digges).
[27 Nov.] (1) Charleston (Coles Co) (Wayne Bartholomew).
Reported in 80 counties (N:24, C:33, S:23). 5 yr. avg. = 67.8 cos.

Blue Grosbeak

[12] CarlyleL-C, 21 Aug. (Dan Kassebaum).
[7] Diona (Cumberland Co), 29 Aug. (Vicky & Gordon Tucker).
[5] Hardin Co (Hardin Co), 1 Aug. (Ryan Jones, Steve Huggins).
[5] Maxwell Pk (McLean Co), 9 Sep. (Patti Anderson).

[5] Marion (Williamson Co), 3 Aug. (Tina Pryor).
[10 Oct.] (1) Vienna (Johnson Co) (Joey Kellner, Kara Carragher, Norman Erthal).
[17 Oct.] (1) Bartel LWR (Marion Co) (Atlee Hargis).
[25 Oct.] (1) StumpL (Mike Thelen).
Reported in 72 counties (N:13, C:29, S:30). 5 yr. avg. = 55.0 cos.

Indigo Bunting

[60] CarlyleL-C, 28 Aug. (Dan Kassebaum).
[48] Del Air (Pike Co), 9 Aug. (Jim Funk).
[32] ClintonL, 6 Aug. (David Thomas, Marvin Piwoni).
[25 Oct.] (1) StumpL (Mike Thelen).
[1 Nov.] (1) Tamalco Twp (Bond Co) (Mark Seiffert).
[2 Nov.] (1) River Pk, Chi (Mark Kolasa).
Reported in 98 counties (N:24, C:39, S:35). 5 yr. avg. = 92.0 cos.

Painted Bunting

[1] Alden Twp (McHenry Co), 30 Nov. (Jeff Aufmann, Randy Schietzelt).
Reported in 1 county (N:1, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 0.2 cos.

Dickcissel

[30] Alexander Co, 8 Sep. (Ida Domazlicky).
[28] Pk 566, 12 Aug. (Carl Giometti).
[21] Midewin, 2 Aug. (Jon Sicinski).
[22 Oct.] (1) Pk 566 (Dan Lory).
[23 Oct.] (1) The Grove Pk (McLean Co) (Pirmin Nietlisbach).
[24 Oct.] (1) Gridley WTP (McLean Co) (Benjamin Murphy, Pete Fenner).
Reported in 82 counties (N:20, C:34, S:28). 5 yr. avg. = 65.6 cos.

EXOTICS

European Goldfinch

[20] WaukeganB, 13 Nov. (Ben Burrus, Oliver Burrus).
[15] Waukegan (Lake Co), 13 Nov. (Jeff Bilsky).
Reported in 3 counties (N:3, C:0, S:0). 5 yr. avg. = 2.0 cos.



GOLDEN-WINGED AND CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER.
Steward Park, Kendall Co. 28 Aug 2021. Photo by Ryan Jones.



LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULLS. East Fork Lake,
Richland Co. 21 Sep. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



GREEN-WINGED TEAL. Goose Lake Prairie S.N.A.,
Grundy Co. 23 Oct. 2021. Photo by Matt Misewicz.



SEMIPALMATED PLOVER. Heidecke Lake S.F.W.A.,
Grundy Co. 16 Aug. 2021. Photo by Matt Misewicz.



WHITE-WINGED SCOTER. Bridgeport,
Lawrence Co. 12 Nov. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



SANDERLING. Waukegan Beach,
Lake Co. 4 Oct. 2021. Photo by Heather Mall.



GADWALL. Goose Lake Prairie S.N.A.,
Grundy Co. 23 Oct. 2021. Photo by Matt Misewicz.



AMERICAN GOLDEN-PLOVER. Heidecke Lake S.F.W.A.,
Grundy Co. 23 Sep 2021. Photo by Matt Misewicz.



WHOOING CRANES. Richland/Wayne Cos.,
16 Nov. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



EASTERN WHIP-POOR-WILL. Cook Co.
12 Sep. 2021. Photo by Carl Giometti.



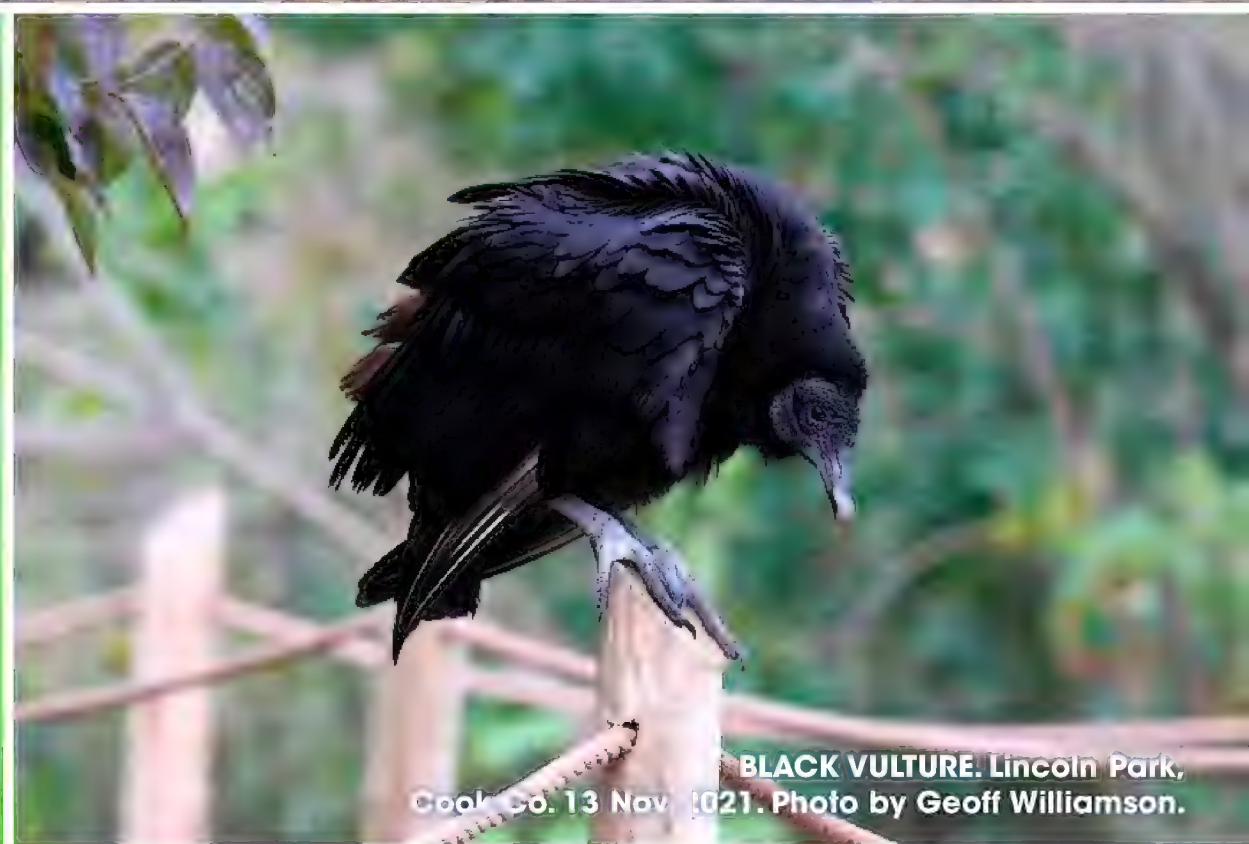
RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD.
Richland Co. 11 Sep. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



PECTORAL SANDPIPER. Montrose Point, Cook Co. 26 Aug. 2021. Photo by Jim Hully.



BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER. Rainbow Beach, Cook Co. 14 Sep. 2021. Photo by Carl Giometti.



BLACK VULTURE. Lincoln Park, Cook Co. 13 Nov. 2021. Photo by Geoff Williamson.



LAUGHING GULL. Carlyle Lake, Clinton Co. 11 Aug. 2021. Photo by Ryan Jones.



SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER. Montrose Point, Cook Co. 26 Aug. 2021. Photo by Jim Hully.



PURPLE SANDPIPER. Waukegan Beach,
Lake Co. 13 Nov 2021. Photo by Ryan Jones.



ROYAL TERN. Carlyle Lake, Clinton Co
11 Aug. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



PARASITIC JAEGER. Carlyle Lake,
Clinton Co. 18 Sep 2021. Photo by Steve Zenner.



HUDSONIAN GODWIT. James O. Breen Community Park,
Kane Co. 5 Oct. 2021. Photo by Heather Mall.



RUDDY TURNSTONE. Heidecke Lake S.F.W.A.,
Grundy Co. 13 Aug 2021. Photo by Matt Misewicz.



BARN OWL. McCormick Bird Sanctuary,
Cook Co. 27 Aug. 2021. Photo by Geoff Williamson.



WINTER WREN. Des Plaines C.A.,
Will Co. 8 Oct. 2021. Photo by Don Blecha.



SMALL-BILLED ELAENIA. Waukegan Beach,
Lake Co. 26 Nov. 2021. Photo by Susan Zelek.



MERLIN. Park No. 566, Cook Co.,
16 Aug. 2021. Photo by Tamara Tani.



MONK PARAKEET. Great Western Trail,
DuPage Co. 7 Nov. 2021. Photo by Heather Mall.



PEREGRINE FALCON. Swansen Rd.,
DeKalb Co. 4 Nov. 2021. Photo by Ken Reinert.



NORTHERN PARULA. Des Plaines C.A., Will Co. 8 Oct. 2021. Photo by Don Blecha.



BLUE-HEADED VIREO. Clay Co.
9 Oct. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



SNOW BUNTING. Waukegan Beach,
Lake Co. 13 Nov 2021. Photo by Ryan Jones.



WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW.
Kendall Co. 28 Sep. 2021. Photo by Ryan Jones.



NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD. Lake Calumet,
Cook Co. 12 Nov. 2021. Photo by Carl Giometti.



RUSTY BLACKBIRD. Montrose Point, Cook Co. 26 Sep. 2021. Photo by Jim Hully.



AMERICAN PIPIT. Henderson Rd., DeKalb Co. 4 Nov. 2021. Photo by Ken Reinert.



HENSLOW'S SPARROW. Goose Lake Prairie S.N.A., Grundy Co. 5 Aug. 2021. Photo by Matt Misewicz.



BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER. Jasper Co. 5 Sep. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER. Afton F.P., DeKalb Co. 24 Sep. 2021. Photo by Ken Reinert.



BAY-BREASTED WARBLER. Chicago Women's Park and Gardens, Cook Co. 1 Sep. 2021. Photo by Carl Giometti.



NASHVILLE WARBLER. Goose Lake Prairie S.N.A., Grundy Co. 16 Oct. 2021. Photo by Don Blecha.



BAY-BREASTED WARBLER. Greenwood Cemetery, Winnebago Co. 14 Sep. 2021. Photo by John Longhenry.



BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER. Jasper Co. 17 Sep. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



PAINTED BUNTING. Alden Township, McHenry Co. 30 Nov. 2021. Photo by Randy Schietzelt.



BLACK VULTURES. Jasper Co. 30 Nov. 2021. Photo by Leroy Harrison



ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER. Goose Lake Prairie S.N.A., Grundy Co. 16 Oct. 2021. Photo by Don Blecha.

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